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[–] **Rockulikeaharrykane 5840 points** 18 hours ago

He helped Kevin when he was lost in the hotel in Home Alone 2.

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[–] **3HundoGuy 910 points** 14 hours ago

"Down the hall and to the left."

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[–] **V1nzc3 200 points** 12 hours ago

I prefer this one.

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[–] **cjmook21 104 points** 11 hours ago

Zapp Brannigan doing Trump quotes is hilarious. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=406KqNDgKuI

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[–] **Zoidberg1028 9 points** 10 hours ago

Why not Zoidberg?

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[–] **Satans_Son_Jesus 11 points** 6 hours ago

Because Zoidberg is a loveable, memeable miscreant. Zapp is the embodiment of the bravado that infects narcissist, which makes him perfect to read Trump quotes.

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[–] **NoStatistician4 -9 points** 4 hours ago

Obama was also an egotistical self-centered narcissist. You just didn't care that he constantly attacked his critics and played himself up constantly bragging about nonsense because you didn't care because he was black

he spent eight years for attacking the Free Press. But you didn't care because the freetress was depressed that was criticizing him. The fake news media was the ones you liked because they would tell you things u wanted to hear

exercised all his critics. Constantly attacking them. He attacked Americans in a way that Trump never has. His rhetoric is directly responsible for the murder of several cops

his and the other Democrats rhetoric is responsible for the Congressional baseball shooter

Obama constantly bragged about himself like a narcissist.

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[–] **Satans_Son_Jesus 8 points** 4 hours ago

> You just didn't care that he constantly attacked his critics and played himself up constantly bragging about nonsense because you didn't care because he was black

You keep telling me what I care about and what I know. Even though you have no idea who I am, or anything about me. You are a troll. Be gone

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[–] **NoStatistician4 -9 points** 4 hours ago

Well that's the thing isn't it? According to studies Republicans new Democrats better than Democrats no Republicans. It's pretty easy to figure out your stuff. We know you. Because there's Millions just like you. Uneducated zombies who can just be wound up nd pushing a direction by the fake news media that you watch

I know what you're like. You're someone who voted for Obama because he would have been the first black president. You're someone who didn't care about any of the horrible things Obama did because he was black because he had a deep voice that was seething to you and because CNN was busy distracting you with whether of dress was blue or gold

you're someone who freaked out because paid bimbo accused Kavanaughof something that even the FBI said he didn't do but you don't care about actual allegations against people like Cory Booker or Beto O'Rourke

You're someone who freaked out when Trump criticize someone who happened to be black but didn't care one bit when Hillary said that all black people look the same

Give a person hack. Someone not interested in fact

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[–] **Satans_Son_Jesus 7 points** 4 hours ago

Be gone troll

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[–] **NoStatistician4 -5 points** 4 hours ago

Be gone troll

Go back to Russia and stop trolling our president

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[–] Satans_Son_Jesus 4 points 4 hours ago

Just keep repeating what other people say, it's all you can do. Troll trying to troll, but he's not even good at it...

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[–] NoStatistician4 0 points 3 hours ago

Go collect ur rubles

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[–] betterplanwithchan 1 point 3 hours ago

Jesus, he made a joke about Trump and you jumped right into his ass. This is snowflake behavior right here.

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[–] KerbalFactorioLeague -1 points 2 hours ago

Woah, somene got real upset, real fast

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[–] actualrealDrZoidberg 3 points 6 hours ago

I will never stoop that low for comedy!!! Woop woop woop woop.

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[–] jamesalphonse 1 point 3 hours ago

Holy fuck there's no way

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[–] Sonic343 1 point 5 hours ago

This so fucking good. It could seriously be either of them saying that too.

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[–] SquidCap 36 points 13 hours ago

"Usually it's a left, not a right. "

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[–] Jetz72 2 points 9 hours ago

Down the hall, to the left. Got it, thanks!

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[–] DrCocktorPHD 2 points 4 hours ago

"And grab em by the pussy".

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[–] JamesDelRey (deleted by user) 1 point 7 hours ago

https://youtu.be/lCTDB6JyBr0

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[–] THX450 57 points 10 hours ago

There's five essential components that make Home Alone 2 great: John Hughe's writing, Chris Columbus' directing, John Williams' music, the entire cast's acting, and Donald Trump's cameo.

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[–] glaring-oryx 36 points 8 hours ago

Tim Curry is the best.

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[–] blizzfreak 3 points 6 hours ago

Now get on your knees and tell me you love me

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[–] THX450 1 point 7 hours ago

YOU'LL FLOAT TOO!*

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[–] veilofmaya1234 1 point 3 hours ago

Cheese Pizza!

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[–] casterwolfchrista 1 point 2 hours ago

Chris Columbus doesn't get enough respect, his Harry Potter movies are truer to the books than any of the other six.

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[–] matthias7600 0 points 4 hours ago

What are you on about? Home Alone 2 is terrible.

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[–] KebabLife 1 point 3 hours ago

I disagree.

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[–] PoptartPunk 13 points 9 hours ago

You're not wrong

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[–] LeicaM6guy 11 points 9 hours ago

End of thread.

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[–] cfbonly 10 points 8 hours ago

He assisted a criminal in the process of committing credit card fraud and identity theft.

GET HIM!!

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[–] scotty_doesntknow 2 points 8 hours ago

LOCK HIM UP! LOCK HIM UP!!

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[–] SheWentToJareds2 6 points 17 hours ago

Came here to say this gem...

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[–] AnalUkelele 4 points 14 hours ago

You're second. That makes you fam.

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[–] letsgetblitzed -6 points 12 hours ago

Describing something good as a "gem", what an awesome idea! I can't believe nobody on reddit has ever thought of that before!

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[–] JakeFromImgur 3 points 7 hours ago

This is the correct answer. Everyone can go home now.

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[–] trigunnerd (deleted by user) 1 point 18 hours ago

Did he? "Down the hall and to the left." He even points. Kevin thanks him, goes to the right instead, and walks immediately into the lobby. Dude gave Kevin the wrong directions.

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[–] 828isgr8 1 point an hour ago

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[–] cancerousking 1 point 8 hours ago

Here it is

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[–] LR2727 1 point 11 minutes ago

Amazing

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[–] dompton 1 point 8 hours ago

that's all, folks!

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[–] PyrZern 0 points 6 hours ago

... WAIT, WHAT!?

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[–] saladbut 0 points 4 hours ago

11 up and 1 over you simple bitch

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[–] TysonButterbean 3093 points 15 hours ago

Economic Growth

- 4.2 percent growth in the second quarter of 2018.
- For the first time in more than a decade, growth is projected to exceed 3 percent over the calendar year.

Jobs

- 4 million new jobs have been created since the election, and more than 3.5 million since Trump took office.
- More Americans are employed now than ever before in our history.
- Jobless claims at lowest level in nearly five decades.
- The economy has achieved the longest positive job-growth streak on record.
- Job openings are at an all-time high and outnumber job seekers for the first time on record.
- Unemployment claims at 50 year low
- African-American, Hispanic, and Asian-American unemployment rates have all recently reached record lows.
    - African-American unemployment hit a record low of 5.9 percent in May 2018.
    - Hispanic unemployment at 4.5 percent.
    - Asian-American unemployment at record low of 2 percent.
- Women's unemployment recently at lowest rate in nearly 65 years.
    - Female unemployment dropped to 3.6 percent in May 2018, the lowest since October 1953.
- Youth unemployment recently reached its lowest level in more than 50 years.
    - July 2018's youth unemployment rate of 9.2 percent was the lowest since July 1966.
- Veterans' unemployment recently hit its lowest level in nearly two decades.
    - July 2018's veterans' unemployment rate of 3.0 percent matched the lowest rate since May 2001.
- Unemployment rate for Americans without a high school diploma recently reached a record low.
- Rate for disabled Americans recently hit a record low.
- Blue-collar jobs recently grew at the fastest rate in more than three decades.
- Poll found that 85 percent of blue-collar workers believe their lives are headed "in the right direction."
    - 68 percent reported receiving a pay increase in the past year.
- Last year, job satisfaction among American workers hit its highest level since 2005.
- Nearly two-thirds of Americans rate now as a good time to find a quality job.
    - Optimism about the availability of good jobs has grown by 25 percent.
- Added more than 400,000 manufacturing jobs since the election.
    - Manufacturing employment is growing at its fastest pace in more than two decades.
- 100,000 new jobs supporting the production & transport of oil & natural gas.

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[–] Explicitext 1123 points 9 hours ago

Don't forget human trafficking arrests

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[–] Barth0lomeo 223 points 8 hours ago

Most important one in my opinion since the children trafficked are not going to be *"used"* by the average joe but by our elites. Again, in my opinion it sends a clear sign to what might be called the deep state in which I surmise child trafficking like drug trafficking is a norm.

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[–] HeyZeusChrist (deleted by user) 1 point 5 hours ago

>Most important one in my opinion since the children trafficked are not going to be *"used"* by the average Joe Biden...

FTFY

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[–] traffick 1 point 2 hours ago

Like those elites with their gold toilets.

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[–] Advisery -3 points 3 hours ago

I always enjoy when conspiracy theories without any actual, concrete evidence are positioned as a reasonable opinion :)

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[–] Demonicfruit 15 points 3 hours ago

Kind of like when anyone right of center in the Reddit comments gets dismissed as a Russian troll employed by the kremlin to manipulate American politics!

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[–] Advisery 1 point 9 minutes ago

I did not accuse you of being a Russian troll, I accused you of being gullable and easily misinformed. Let me ask you this: If the deep state exists, and you have encountered enough proof to convince you it exists, then why is that information not convincing enough for someone like - say - Trump to have them prosecuted? If there is not enough evidence to prosecute people supposedly involved with the deep state, why are you convinced they exist? Before you respond, please read this and do not waste my time with them; if you can't manage a reply without one then don't respond.

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[–] Demonicfruit 1 point 7 minutes ago

I'm not the one who you responded to in the first place, bud.

But good job on what must be one of the edgiest Reddit comments I've ever read.

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[–] JakeTheSnake0709 -2 points 2 hours ago

Are our suggesting the enormous amount of evidence proving the Russians use of bots is false? Wanna back that claim up?

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[–] Demonicfruit 7 points 2 hours ago

Nope, there is evidence to suggest a dozen or so social media accounts, chiefly on instagram, have been linked back to Russian programs. Although, since I've personally been called a Russian bot myself, I think I can safely dismiss that claim as a false conspiracy, simply because, yaknow, I know I'm not a Russian bot.

It's safe to say that the amount the Russian troll agenda has been played up by the echo chambers is grounds to call it an insane conspiracy. It's like the movie The Thing at this point.

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[–] whalebackgaming 6 points an hour ago

It looks like Russian agents spent $4700 in ads/bots. https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.nytimes.com/2017/10/09/technology/google-russian-ads.amp.html

Didn't Hillary spend $1.4B? https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/politics/2016-election/campaign-finance/

That equates to 3 millionths of what Hillary spent. Whether your argument is just focused on use of bots, it may be true, might not. If so, there is plenty of evidence showing bots built for Hillary's campaign. With that said, Most people, including myself, liked Trump from day one, so no number of bots or hacks was going to have an influence on how we voted. I think that's what most people don't get.

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[–] Advisery 1 point 7 minutes ago

I applaud you for finding a comprehensive ledger of Russian expenses during the last election, truly the master race at work in investigation right here.

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[–] superbozo -9 points 4 hours ago

Dude...what? What are you even basing this on? Pizza gate?

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[–] theabracist 16 points 4 hours ago

money and access.

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[–] superbozo -9 points 4 hours ago

So....assumptions?

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[–] WhatAWatch 12 points 3 hours ago

Wasnt it on the front page of reddit how Borat caught a politician trying to order an underaged boy in Vegas through his concierge company?

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[–] superbozo -3 points 2 hours ago

Ah yes. The historical documents.

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[–] WhatAWatch 9 points 2 hours ago

Undercover footage reported to the FBI cant be real. Better wait for Vox to put out an op-ed telling me what to think

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[–] superbozo 0 points an hour ago

OK MAN

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[–] HotRoger -52 points 7 hours ago

Lol. Tighten your tinfoil hat. The deep state is watching you now

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[–] redditloadedwithnpcs 9 points 4 hours ago

They are. Just look at the Snowden revelations and wikileaks data dumps as some of the most recent evidence. If you aren't worried as an American citizen then you are the perfect fool that a corrupt government would want as a subject.

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[–] chiomegagirl 63 points 4 hours ago

That's a huge one for me since an apartment on the same floor of my building here in Seattle was busted for housing trafficked women about four years ago. I had actually met some of the women that were victims.

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[–] TheFrontierzman 36 points 3 hours ago

I'm in Houston. It's currently the biggest human trafficking distribution hub in the US. They're brought here and then sent throughout the states.

I get annoyed when people don't take human trafficking (and border security) seriously. They act like it's being exaggerated. It's not. It's always someone from like Idaho { no offense Idaho! :) }saying crap like "Well the police just need to arrest the traffickers. It's not complicated." They don't get the massive scale of it. And as is they just meander across the southern border.

And regarding the border. They have nooo idea how overwhelmed ICE currently is.

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[–] DoesNotTalkMuch -67 points 7 hours ago

Nearly everything that he's been credited with here is just a summary of positive trends in the American economy and general social progress.

I'm skeptical about the credit he's been given in this thread. I'm not aware of any policy changes that would have had effected any positive change.

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[–] LetsFreakinArgue 63 points 7 hours ago

"Not aware of any policy changes that would have effected positive change"

TAX. CUTS.

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[–] DoesNotTalkMuch -52 points 6 hours ago

I'm not going to credit him for improving the economy with the tax cuts when we haven't actually *seen* any improvement since then.

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[–] HeyZeusChrist 27 points 5 hours ago

Thanks to tax cuts, companies' overseas profits now flooding back to US
https://www.investors.com/politics/editorials/overseas-profits-return

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[–] Monsieur-Candie 13 points 4 hours ago

Do you actually believe the horse shit coming out your mouth?

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[–] FredBangedDaphne 13 points 4 hours ago

He doesn't know what else to believe. Doesn't want to be wrong, too stubborn, he's built an ideology on his hatred.

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[–] Monsieur-Candie 8 points 4 hours ago

What a miserable life.

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[–] FredBangedDaphne 2 points an hour ago

Remember Gladiator?

"People should know when they are conquered"

"Would you, commodous, would I?"

Same thing. Sadly.

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[–] Bump-4-Trump 38 points 6 hours ago

Im afraid thats not true. It seems people like to credit obama and or blame bush(while he was in office). Hes the only president to not get a 3% GDP. He also said 1% GDP was the "new norm" and to get used to it. Ive seen the chart, it was on the rise(which is all it could really do) and skyrocketed the day Trump took office and has continued to break records.

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[–] DoesNotTalkMuch -26 points 6 hours ago

>and skyrocketed the day Trump took office

Essentially, when he had done nothing.

>has continued to break records.

Then why are all those breaking records from mid-last year?

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[–] ConfidentJoke 26 points 6 hours ago

> Essentially, when he had done nothing.

CEO announces new product line, investment skyrockets

"Exsxkuse me he essentially did nothing"

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[–] DoesNotTalkMuch -6 points 6 hours ago

So your opinion of Trump is basically he's the Obama peace prize of conservative accomplishment?

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[–] FlawlessWallace20 9 points 4 hours ago

Credit where it's due? This is where it's due.

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[–] FredBangedDaphne -1 points 4 hours ago

GDP? Sounds like you're talking about the stock market.

It's your understanding, but you are not sure what you even understand. No additional details are required, get educated, son.

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[–] Monsieur-Candie 3 points 4 hours ago

Yeah this entire comment is false.

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[–] PracticalDig 364 points 12 hours ago

but...dat was coz of dat obarma

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[–] JingyBreadMan 100 points 9 hours ago

Sicko mode by Yobomba

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[–] weltallic 5 points 5 hours ago

Thanks, Dubya!

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[–] ATbaseball13 -4 points 5 hours ago

Yeah sure...

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[–] davesidious -14 points 5 hours ago

Well, yes, economic effects usually drag about 2 years behind the cause.

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 43 points 4 hours ago

Imagine if the stock market crashed immediately after the election and the economy was plunged into a deep recession with jobless claims skyrocketing over the next couple years after the election. Do you really think all of Donald Trump's detractors would been putting the blame on Obama's earlier policies becauseof this supposed two year drag? This is so transparent.

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[–] FredBangedDaphne 19 points 4 hours ago

Well that's totally different. It's always different.

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[–] Miserable_company 13 points 4 hours ago

Making comparisons that don't paint leftists in a positive light is whataboutism, don't you get your daily fake news injection?

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[–] RNGesus_Christ 3 points 3 hours ago

Honest ones would, doesn't change the fact that Trump isn't the entire reason the economy is doing well. Just because someone is being hypocritical doesn't make them wrong, just detracts from their character.

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[–] Miserable_company 4 points 4 hours ago

How odd then that it didn't take two years after Trump took office for the effects to happen, it was very rapid. And if we're going with your brainwashed theory, does Trump get credit for the gains over the next two years? Let's watch and see!

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[–] davesidious -6 points 4 hours ago

You're making that up.

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[–] Miserable_company 9 points 4 hours ago

Well watch and see then! If gains continue this year, then Trump gets credit and orange man must not be as bad as you purport him to be.

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[–] FredBangedDaphne 8 points 4 hours ago

There will always be another excuse. When you have TDS Stage 3, excuses flow like slave labor in a socialist empire.

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[–] Miserable_company 2 points 4 hours ago

Ehh, I try. Pissing in the wind for the most part, but sometimes it's worth a try. People aren't conscious that they have TDS. Look up Prochaska and DiClemente's Transtheoretical model of change to get a glimpse of where most leftists are and what style of argument is most likely to be effective. Here's a hint… It's not an argument at all.

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[–] RNGesus_Christ 0 points 3 hours ago

>slave labor in a socialist empire.

Calm down there bud. No need to try to make jabs at people unprovoked for believing in an ideology.

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[–] Miserable_company 6 points 2 hours ago

Kinda like making jabs at people wearing a MAGA hat?

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[–] RNGesus_Christ 1 point 2 hours ago

Exactly like that, your point?

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[–] Miserable_company 2 points 2 hours ago

Just that respect goes both ways. Media tends to demand it for the left, and heap condemnation on the right for their ideology. REEE Covington boy racist!

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[–] blayfield 1 point 49 minutes ago

How so genius. Ya heard of data? It's out there.

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[–] blayfield 1 point 50 minutes ago

Quit lying to yourself just because muh orange man bad... head in ass syndrome is strong with you if you believe this is Obama's economy.

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[–] ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user) -38 points 8 hours ago

This but un-ironically

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[–] cjoels 7 points 7 hours ago

Hah good meme friendo!

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[–] ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user) 0 points 7 hours ago

Thank you friendo.

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[–] Papercutr -62 points 9 hours ago

Honestly it may not even be because of Obama, it could also be because of Bush or even Clinton. I'm not an economist so if I'm wrong I'm wrong, but I've read that policies usually take decades to actually effect our economy. We like to rank our current President as the best/worst in history, but the reality is that you can't actually get a good idea of how well they did until like 30 years after they leave office.

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[–] Svath 95 points 9 hours ago

> I'm not an economist so if I'm wrong I'm wrong

You're wrong

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[–] Papercutr -30 points 9 hours ago

Care to explain how?

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[–] Daklure 72 points 9 hours ago

Because everyone magically forgets how regulations impact Businesses and investing. Trump ended over 100 billion dollars a year in regulations for businesses which caused an immediate boom to our economy.

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[–] RWBgirl 43 points 9 hours ago

Don't forget that during Obama years, the Federal Reserve never raised the interest rates. Even with this our GPD was 1.0? Fed has now raised the interest rates 3x and again on Mar 1, 2019 trying to stop Trump's economic surge prior to the 2020 election. The Federal Reserve is why we have depressions, interest hikes, etc. The Federal Reserve is nothing but a shame and needs to be destroyed. They control everything, Wall Street, Banks, wars, famines, everything.

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[–] Svath 34 points 9 hours ago

End the goddamn FED

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[–] open_ur_mind 17 points 8 hours ago

THANK YOU. An often overlooked point by many.

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[–] StriderPharazon -11 points 8 hours ago

Here's some stats about unemployment, gdp and inflation. Generally, unemployment has been decreasing steadily since 2012. Trump isn't some miraculous leader. At best, he's been holding strong to the efforts of the past administration. Which is good.

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[–] Svath 62 points 9 hours ago

The 10k point increase to the DOW over the last 2 years is a direct function Trump's deregulation and economic policy. Each 1000 point in that 30 element index is literally a TRILLION USD invested into our domestic industrial economy.

Funny how that massive increase in the index's growth matches perfectly with Trump enacting his economic policy and taking office.

It's like there was someone with their hands on the scale, unfairly tipping the balance to one side and finally someone came along and slapped the hand off the scale; allowing decades of pent up economic tension to relieve and naturally correct itself (i.e. NAFTA).

Also not trying to be condescending, but take an introduction to economics course. Hell, read Thomas Sowell's "BASIC ECONOMICS". It will change your life.

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[–] StriderPharazon 3 points 8 hours ago

It was 25k this time last year too. He even tweeted the same shit.

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[–] Opie67 -5 points 8 hours ago

Isn't the DOW still down from where it was a year ago?

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[–] _that_guy_over_there 24 points 7 hours ago

It's been hovering right around 25k for about a year, afaik it hasn't yet broken 26k once. The perception is that it's down because every time it dips or has a day where it plummets it gets a bunch of news coverage to show that "Trump's economy is failing." Then a few days or a week later when it makes the same gains back that goes completely unremarked beside the stocks ticker on the bottom of the screen.

It's almost like theres a biased media that actively works against the President.

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[–] Opie67 -8 points 7 hours ago

Even if it's not "down" it's not going up either. Seems like a convenient fact left out by the person I was responding to. He also seems to ignore that it had been on the up and up for a majority of Obama's presidency.

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[–] _that_guy_over_there 18 points 7 hours ago

You have to also look at the rate at which the Fed has been hiking interest rates. That puts a damper on growth by making it more difficult for companies to borrow money to invest. Don't forget that tariffs were supposed to crash our economy too. Yet in spite of both of those factors the market has hovered between 24.5 and 25.5k for a year. We've still had economic growth in the last year through job growth and rising wages but not everything shows in the stock market. Once all this business with China concludes and the tariffs are lifted I wouldn't be surprised to see the growth become visible in the stock market again.

In comparison to Obama's stock market I'd respond by saying that you would need to compare the rate at which it went up with the rat at which it went up almost the moment Trump was elected. The Fed kept us at 0% interest for most of Obama's presidency as a way to help buoy the economy and even then we still never made 3% annual GDP growth once. Lastly, the market when Obama came in was destroyed by the mess that

was the housing market crash so it unless we were going into a further recession/full on depression it pretty much had to go up.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 7 hours ago

Did the stimulus not help? Did the bailouts not prevent a much worse crash? Seems like you are okay giving Trump credit without citing specifics but Obama's growth was apparently all dumb luck.

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[–] _that_guy_over_there 4 points 7 hours ago

https://www.forbes.com/sites/nickschulz/2011/07/05/how-effective-was-the-2009-stimulus-program/#48d106195cca

It's debatable. The one specific example this author uses may be cherry picked or it may not be. When I asked google the question this was the first response after a couple of sites I don't know and to my knowledge, Forbes is reputable.

I never said Obama had growth based on dumb luck, I simply pointed out the helping hand of the Fed and how their current decisions are markedly different than they were in the previous administration. I'm not claiming they're "trying to attack trump" but they have raised rates at an extreme rate compared to the rest of their history. Some people that know more about economics than me have differing opinions as to why, be it that it's catch up from the Obama years or it's a measure to fight against future inflation. The main point to note about the Fed is that they couldn't raise the rates before the current economic boom under Trump without doing significant harm to the national economy.

Don't forget, under Obama "you're job is gone, learn to code" was acceptable rhetoric. "Those jobs aren't coming back, what magic wand does he have?" Where statements made by the president himself.

As for not "citing specifics" I was only responding to the specific question of whether or not the stock market is down from a year ago and 1 follow up response about that. I'm not making a broad argument about the entirety of our economic system, nor am I giving Trump complete and total credit for it. I do believe his policies, specifically deregulation and tax reform, are the primary drivers though. I also never said there was no growth under Obama, but I did mention a specific milestone that his administration never hit.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 6 hours ago

Only in America is it an insult when someone suggests getting an education. Deregulation is definitely hit or miss though as many of those regulations have been related to environmental protection. Unfortunately the administration and its supporters don't believe in science so of course they will tout it as all good as long as there is money to be made.

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[–] _that_guy_over_there 2 points 6 hours ago

I mention the "learn to code" line because now that it's been used in reference to laid off ~~bloggers~~ journalists people are getting banned off of twitter for it.

> don't believe in science

How dare people question your religion of global cooling. Wait, we mean warming. Crap, we mean climate change. What I have a hard time believing is a group of people studying something that not only have gotten every single projection wrong so they constantly waffle but also have a vested interest in making sure people believe them. Then you too that off with politicians who "believe science" putting forward nonsense like the Paris Climate Accords that gave a straight up free pass to China and India to pollute while trying to siphon untold amounts of wealth out of the US to fund the project all with an estimated impact of less that 1 degree over 100 years. This of course is a world saving agreement that NEEDS everybody to be involved or we all die and then when Trump says "I'm not signing unless we renegotiate" the other politicians say "oh yeah? No deal." Almost like it actually wasn't as important as they were claiming.

But hey, we're all dead in 12 years anyway, there's already no ice in Antarctica and Kilimanjaro has no snow.

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[–] Opie67 0 points 6 hours ago

You do in fact not believe in science. You cherry pick specifics and disregard the large scale long term trend. You are ignorant and future generations will look back on people like you with disgust.

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[–] _that_guy_over_there 2 points 6 hours ago

Yeah, I don't like o read links either.

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[–] Opie67 0 points 6 hours ago

Lol, a scientist resigns. Absolute proof that carbon dioxide does not trap heat from the Sun. Suck it, centuries of science!

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[–] _that_guy_over_there 1 point 5 hours ago

Hey look, you read the headline! Surely that's all that was said.

Thankfully someone as wise as you makes time to troll through reddit to argue with Trump supporters. Certainly your derision will be enough to convince all of us idiots of the error of our ways. It's best to make assumptions about us and our motivations and beliefs so you can insult us properly.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 5 hours ago

He doesn't disprove the science of climate change; he only expresses disgust that somebody might profit from it. One scientist resigning doesn't justify disregarding 98% of scientists.

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[–] panascope 2 points 6 hours ago

This is frighteningly dogmatic.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 6 hours ago

Yes, I express my opinions with conviction. Am I supposed to feel bad about it?

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[–] panascope 1 point 5 hours ago

Is your opinion particularly worth listening to? You strike me more like you're proselytizing a faith than making a well-reasoned argument.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 5 hours ago

My intent with the comment was only to express an opinion. Providing a well reasoned argument to a climate change denier is like arguing with a creationist. If they cared about logic or reason they wouldn't hold the beliefs in the first place.

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[–] panascope 1 point 5 hours ago

My hunch is that you don't really know anything about the topic, and that once you're out of your thimble-deep repository of canned commentary you resort to accusations and personal attacks. Which you're proving out pretty quickly.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 5 hours ago

He doesn't even address the actual science. His "proof" is that people used to call it global warming, and that the Paris deal wasn't perfect.

Just because he chose to regurgitate a bunch of right wing talking points ("global warming" had to stop being used as a term because ignorant people like him don't understand global average temperatures) doesn't mean I need to write a thesis explaining how the gigatons of CO2 we put into the atmosphere every year are trapping excessive heat from the Sun.

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[–] panascope 1 point 5 hours ago

I'm not saying you need to write a thesis. I'm saying that jumping directly to "you don't believe" isn't how science works, and leads me to think you don't

really know what you're talking about beyond what you can parrot.

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[–] **[deleted]** 1 point 2 hours ago

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[–] **FredBangedDaphne** 1 point 4 hours ago

On the up and up, the s&p was at 666, it was the same level as the dot com bust. Where else did it have to go? Zero? That implies all American output is worthless. Of course it went up.

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[–] **Svath** 4 points 5 hours ago

down 1000 over the year, but up 10000 over two

Which deviation is a bigger indicator of market strength/weakness?

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[–] **FredBangedDaphne** 2 points 4 hours ago

Bigger time frame always rules.

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[–] **NerdAtSea** 1 point 4 hours ago

lol why are you getting downvoted for this

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[–] **Opie67** 3 points 4 hours ago

You know exactly why ;)

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[–] **TheYoungSpergs** 26 points 9 hours ago

If you repeal a regulation, say allow to drill oil in an area, then you will see immediate growth in that industry, just an example. Tax cuts also lead to an almost immediate influx of cash into a country. If you do the reverse than you will see immediate damage. But there's truth to what you say. +In many ways Trump is profiting from the terrible decisions made by the Obama administration, there was so much room for easy improvement and investors/businessmen were reluctant to invest, expecting another Democratic administration. But tbh the economy is performing at a level I didn't expect, I haven't seen anything like it in my lifetime.

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[–] **crimsonpowder** 22 points 9 hours ago

Publicly traded markets and meta-analysis of private equity provide a clear picture. The economy runs on future confidence and markets shot up as soon as he won the election. His policies have only continued to strengthen the economy all the while the fed hiked rates on him insanely quickly. The fed only felt comfortable doing this because of the strength and confidence of the dollar. They never dared under Obama.

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[–] **sonny68** 7 points 9 hours ago

Economic effects happen over night boah

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[–] **Papercutr** 1 point 9 hours ago

Well not literally overnight in most cases, though there are exceptions. I looked it up and it turns out they take effect within like 3 months-2 years. I was probably misremembering an article I read years ago (or the article could've been wrong, I believe it was Cracked but I don't remember if it was before or after they went in the trash, so maybe not the best source).

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[–] **FredBangedDaphne** 2 points 4 hours ago

They can literally happen overnight.

Go read what happened when the CHF decoupled from the Euro. Literally overnight it moved $0.20. People short were bankrupted, people long were rich.

Literally overnight change in policy.

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[–] Papercutr 1 point 4 hours ago

I said not literally overnight in most cases. I acknowledge that it does happen.

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[–] FredBangedDaphne 1 point an hour ago

I have the charts saved from election night. You can see very clearly how the market responded to trump winning. It was in sell off mode until it was evident Trump would win, when he did it completely turned.

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[–] Noah__Webster 5 points 7 hours ago

Unless they're a democrat, and any positives are their doing immediately and also extend into the next presidency, but negatives are just holdovers from the last Republican President.

Literally saw a thread a couple weeks ago when the stock market went down that it was Trump's fault in /r/politics. The *next day* the market rebounded to a very high point and people were praising Obama's policies.

It's one or the other. I tend to think that some policies can affect the economy for a long time, but those are really only extremely major policies. The most important thing is consumer confidence, which is a very short term effect. Consumer confidence is detectable and clearly affects markets within a quarter or two, at most, and definitely within a year.

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[–] FredBangedDaphne 6 points 4 hours ago

No matter if you're right or left, can we all agree /r/politics is ultra biased and just a trashy sub altogether?

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[–] Noah__Webster 1 point 4 hours ago

I'm not gonna say it's trashy, but yes, it is very biased. Most political subs on reddit are echo chambers, basically. It doesn't matter what beliefs they hold, either.

Subs like /r/conservative, /r/libertarian, /r/latestagecapitalism, etc. don't bother me as much as /r/politics, /r/news, or /r/politicalhumor since they are at least blatant about what the sub is. /r/politics could be /r/progressive and it would seem about right lol.

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[–] GodKingHarambe 279 points 10 hours ago

High-Energy

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[–] kevinlel 272 points 7 hours ago

Looks at comment

Wow this is long

> (1/9)

Wtf you typed out NINE of these?

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[–] richmomz 443 points 7 hours ago

There's too much winning to fit in one post, fam.

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[–] TheNincro 157 points 6 hours ago

This train has no brakes centipede

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[–] gurrauthor 54 points 6 hours ago

I wish to subscribe caterpillar.

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[–] TuxedoJesus 41 points 5 hours ago

Someone get this patriot a coat!!

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[–] Miserable_company 31 points 4 hours ago

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD GET THIS PATRIOT A COAT! THATS 202,737 COATS HANDED OUT!

We are 77.88% of our goal to coat the 260,326 great people of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Let's make sure everyone gets a coat in the United States! For every Centipede a coat, for every coat a Centipede!

This bot was created by devious1087, feedback always welcome. Meme Reference!

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[–] RoboPEDE 20 points 4 hours ago

Good bot.

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[–] erin281 14 points 4 hours ago

Best bot!

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[–] Miserable_company 10 points 4 hours ago

Bleep bloopsky vodka.

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[–] nuclearfarts99 -5 points 2 hours ago

Oh hey it's the guy who called the T_D brigade on my random-ass comment on this sub a while back!

RES never forgets.

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[–] mmmhthatguy 7 points 2 hours ago

And a brick! You'll need it to pay for a ticket on the Trump train.

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[–] Rod_RamsHard 7 points an hour ago

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD GET THIS PATRIOT A BRICK! THAT'S 133684 BRICKS HANDED OUT!

We are at **18.829217888641451085341427 2%** of our goal to **BUILD THE WALL** starting from Imperial Beach, CA to Brownsville, Texas! Let's make sure everyone gets a brick in the United States! For every Centipede a brick, for every brick a Centipede!

At this rate, the wall will be **1469.995133291961031339218 08 MILES WIDE** and **391.76684675200122070497694 8 FEET HIGH** by tomorrow! **DO YOUR PART!**

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[–] WithMyHoodieOn 2 points an hour ago

Oh god, those caterpillar stories were hilarious. Good memories!

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[–] patientbearr -25 points 5 hours ago

> too much ~~winning~~ **mental illness** to fit in one post

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[–] richmomz 20 points 5 hours ago

>too much ~~winning mental illness~~ **TDS** to fit in one post

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[–] patientbearr -7 points 5 hours ago

Wow, I wonder why you love that term so much /u/richmomz

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[–] richmomz 10 points 4 hours ago

Does it really bother you that there are people in this thread that don't share your opinions and viewpoints?

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[–] patientbearr -7 points 4 hours ago

Bother me? Not at all! I think it's hilarious that every person I click on has hundreds and hundreds of posts in T_D.

I'm only still here because it's amusing how much it upsets all of you when I point it out.

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[–] richmomz 9 points 4 hours ago

If someone posts a topic about Trump in the most active sub on Reddit why wouldn't you expect people from both pro and anti Trump groups to respond?

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[–] patientbearr 1 point 4 hours ago

> why wouldn't you expect people from both pro and anti Trump groups to respond?

I would definitely expect that. I would expect it to be very controversial. Any thread concerning Trump is obviously very polarized.

That's not what's happening though, is it? It's a huge Trump circlejerk. People criticizing the NPC insult are downvoted at -50.

You know it, I know it. Everybody knows it!

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[–] richmomz 3 points 4 hours ago

Sorry about your precious internet points. If it's any consolation folks from T_D get the same kind of reception any time we post in r/politics.

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[–] patientbearr 2 points 4 hours ago

Lmao why do you think I give a shit about my internet points?

Do you think I would have pointed out how full of shit this entire thread is if I cared about my internet points?

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[–] AMasonJar 1 point 4 hours ago

He's right in that it's exactly what should be expected. This is a thread of the good things Trump has done... or is somehow related to... at least remotely...

Either way, perhaps it's only fair now to have an AskReddit pointing out gargantuan list of things he hasn't done so well.

Maybe then we can see some Republican tears and call it even.

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[–] patientbearr 2 points 4 hours ago

I fully expected plenty of Trump supporters in this thread based on the subject matter, I was just surprised that it was a full-on avalanche of pro-Trump propaganda from people with hundreds and hundreds of posts in T_D.

On second thought, I'm not really that surprised.

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[–] v1ct0r1us 1 point 2 hours ago

but stan, why are you so mad?

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[–] patientbearr (deleted by user) 1 point 2 hours ago

Not mad, enlightened by my own intelligence... *euphoric* in fact

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[–] superbozo 12 points 4 hours ago

He was asked a question, he gave the correct answer. It just so happened to be a very long answer.

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[–] Ichabod_Crane_ 4 points an hour ago

Removed by mods. Pathetic.

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[–] YakMan2 -17 points 7 hours ago

It is just copied and pasted from a Washington Times article.

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/washington-secrets/trumps-list-289-accomplishments-in-just-20-months-relentless-promise-keeping

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 54 points 6 hours ago

So? Does it make them not true? Christ you lot are brainwashed

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[–] Opie67 -7 points 5 hours ago

The guy asked if the OP typed them out, and the person you responded to showed that they did not. Why is that grounds to call him brainwashed?

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 6 points 4 hours ago

Wrong . The person I responded to was implying that because the list is copied from another article , the list is somehow invalid .

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[–] Opie67 -4 points 4 hours ago

That’s not implied anywhere lol.

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 1 point 3 hours ago

Odd that so many others seem to think so by the downvoted

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[–] Opie67 -2 points 3 hours ago

True, every downvote ever is justified and rooted in sound reasoning.

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 2 points 3 hours ago

You're on your own son

permalink reddit ceddit

[–] Opie67 -2 points 3 hours ago

I don't know, my comment is at +4 now. I must be completely correct

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[–] Fordheartskav 3 points 2 hours ago

Minus 5 now. You're definitely wrong 😉😉

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[–] Opie67 0 points 2 hours ago

Ah heck

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 1 point 2 hours ago

You can thank 4 other people with TDS

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[–] Toughsky_Shitsky 48 points 5 hours ago

Your point?

Is sourcing a bad thing now?

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[–] jdoe1029384756 8 points 4 hours ago

That was 2 and a half months ago. By now there ought to be at least 11 pages of accomplishments. Hopefully the troop pullout from Syria and Afghanistan will be among them as well soon.

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[–] kevinlel -4 points 7 hours ago

oh lol

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 2 points 4 hours ago

What In your little mind is funny about the fact the tremendous list of accomplishments comes from an article ?

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[–] RumAndGames -24 points 7 hours ago

Or they copy and pasted them, like the many similiar lists that political subs keep to spam around.

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[–] kevinlel -21 points 7 hours ago

Yeah now that I think about it more it seems obvious now

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[–] RumAndGames -29 points 7 hours ago

It's a sad little brigade. Look at the post history. They *literally* did a screen shot of replies, posted them to /r/donald for more brigading and karma farming garbage.

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[–] GiveMeBackMySon 27 points 6 hours ago

So do you dispute any of the success claims? Or is it only going to be a whine about brigade?

It literally answered the question that was asked.

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[–] RumAndGames -14 points 6 hours ago

I have disputed the thought process behind them elsewhere. Naturally i was just downvoted and called an NPC. Believe it or not I'm not wasting my time engaging in debate with disingenuous parties.

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[–] GiveMeBackMySon 23 points 6 hours ago

> Believe it or not I'm not wasting my time engaging in debate with disingenuous parties.

That's called a cop-out.

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[–] RumAndGames -10 points 6 hours ago

Yeah, I should prove my sincerity by pissing in the wind.

How about instead of a cop-out, I just skip to fuck you.

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[–] DigitalMerlin 23 points 6 hours ago

Why don't you tell us how this post makes you FEEL? Are you upset about the facts?

Are the facts, bullying you?

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[–] psybrnaut 10 points 6 hours ago

Such mean facts. Such true

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[–] rowguythecoward 12 points 6 hours ago

Rumandgames your comments show your inner cowardice

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[–] RumAndGames 1 point 5 hours ago

Hahahahahahaha you silly little bitch

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[–] rowguythecoward 5 points 5 hours ago

Proving me right are ya?

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[–] Monsieur-Candie 2 points 3 hours ago

When confronted with the truth that he knows is true a small weak coward like him will lash out with laughter and insults. That coward is so transparent.

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[–] Monsieur-Candie 2 points 3 hours ago

Ahhhh she's angry. How cute. You're the type of loser to take the ball home cause you don't want to lose. How to go through life being this pathetic and small?

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[–] DigitalMerlin 15 points 6 hours ago

So no?

OK then, here is your NPC mask, please step over there with the rest of the gray faces and watch the world pass you buy.

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[–] Colonel_Chestbridge1 10 points 6 hours ago

>Refuses to explain positions and instead makes broad, insulting generalizations.

You sure sound like an NPC to me.

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[–] Monsieur-Candie 4 points 4 hours ago

Ah so you're a coward and know you are wrong so you pretend to take the moral high ground and refuse to debate because you know your position is wrong and can't argue it. Don't need to lie.

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[–] RuleoVicus 13 points 7 hours ago

Only Leftists brigade. Nice you project what you yourself do.

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[–] VERY_STABLE_DRAGON 261 points 7 hours ago

Let's not forget US salt mining operations have increased 3000% since Trump was elected.

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[–] RickyMissile 58 points 7 hours ago

We have also seen huge increases in demand for popcorn. I would recommend buying popcorn futures before the state of the union...

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[–] lunch77 11 points 4 hours ago

The 2020 election is going to be my greatest achievement. I've got Popcorn stock shares up the wazoo.

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[–] RickyMissile 8 points 4 hours ago

There are some major trades going in the salt and popcorn industries. All the major players know what's up!

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[–] jzerocoolj 49 points 7 hours ago

huge surplus of liberal tears as well

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[–] BonzaiBananas 26 points 5 hours ago

That's what I clean my guns with!

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[–] jzerocoolj 15 points 5 hours ago

I used to swear by frog lube but I can get a bucket of tears for free just by wearing a red hat, it's amazing.

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[–] BonzaiBananas 11 points 5 hours ago

make sure to sell it. You know for *capitalism*

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[–] richmomz 10 points 5 hours ago

How dare you exploit other people's *emotional labor!*

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[–] BonzaiBananas 7 points 4 hours ago

Its what I do

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[–] richmomz 7 points 5 hours ago

The high soy content does wonders for lubrication.

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[–] BonzaiBananas 10 points 4 hours ago

yes it does and give them a nice shine too.

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[–] Useful_Vidiots 190 points 10 hours ago

Excellent summary of facts and truth. NPCs will gnash and spew, because that's what they do.

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[–] blessedarethegeek 1 point 5 hours ago

What're NPCs in this context?

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[–] Pinellaspepe -14 points 6 hours ago

Those are your facts not mine

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[–] snowsoftJ4C 4 points 5 hours ago

Fake facts??

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[–] Pinellaspepe 2 points 5 hours ago

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.foxnews.com/politics/pelosi-interrupted-dhs-boss-nielsen-during-presentation-on-illegal-immigrants-saying-i-reject-your-facts.amp

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[–] patientbearr -14 points 6 hours ago

This thread is one of the most hilariously obvious examples of brigading I've ever seen. People criticizing the NPC label at -50. You guys should consider hiding it a little better.

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[–] Useful_Vidiots 34 points 6 hours ago

They're onto us boys! Quick, back into the Kremlin-mobile!

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[–] patientbearr -9 points 6 hours ago

Sounds like something an NPC would say!

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[–] Useful_Vidiots 10 points 5 hours ago

Nyet.

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[–] patientbearr -6 points 5 hours ago

I like how you can click on the post history of anyone participating in this circlejerk and they've all got hundreds of posts there.

It's very funny. Hope you guys are enjoying your party.

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[–] Useful_Vidiots 14 points 5 hours ago

And? □□

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[–] Professianal 8 points 5 hours ago

He's just mad we are on the winning side! Chest bump!

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[–] patientbearr 4 points 4 hours ago

Thank you, /u/Professianal! Very cool!

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[–] patientbearr 1 point 5 hours ago

And enjoy the party! I bet all those updoots feel good! Maybe Donald-san will notice you!

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[–] Miserable_company 7 points 4 hours ago

I've been enjoying the last two years of party. I'll be enjoying the next two! Or is Mueller juuust about to get him? Surely Putin will be exposed any minute! Any rebuttal to the economic gains, or are those all evidence of Obama's brilliance finally showing up after 8 years?

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[–] patientbearr 1 point 4 hours ago

> finally showing up after 8 years?

FiNaLlY sHoWiNg Up

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[–] Ifififififokeydoke 2 points 4 hours ago

Wow so Obama was able to bring it down to the levels it was at when he started? That's amazing!

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[–] patientbearr (deleted by user) 1 point 4 hours ago

I guess that global recession in 2008 was fake news -- or better yet, it was Obama's fault!

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 4 hours ago

Yes, it's pretty impressive that he was able to reverse the economic damage that happened under his predecessor! Glad you agree!

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[–] Useful_Vidiots 5 points 4 hours ago

He's got much, much more important things to do, like saving the greatest country in the world from the leftist threat.

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 4 hours ago

Don't forget watching cable news coverage of himself for several hours every day and tweeting nonstop from the shitter at 3 in the morning!

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[–] Useful_Vidiots 1 point 2 hours ago

High energy, believe me!

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[–] johnsonman1 17 points 5 hours ago

Oh no! The fascist we have confined to a small corner of reddit happened to venture out to askreddit! And shit, others agree with him?

Clearly it's brigading. It's not like anyone could *actually* support some of the things POTUS.

In reality, lefties think they own the internet, and anyone smashing their world view is a brigade.

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 4 hours ago

Oh, by all means I expected a lively discussion in this thread.

Instead it's a full-on Trump circlejerk among a bunch of Donald humpers.

> Clearly it's brigading.

Glad you agree! Click on the comment history of anyone upvoting this bullshit and you'll notice a fun little trend!

Add to that the fact that it was linked directly from there and you can do the math! But don't let that stop you from whining about your perceived victim complex!

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[–] johnsonman1 6 points 3 hours ago

> anyone upvoting this bullshit and you'll notice a fun little trend!

Yeah, now look at the comment history of anyone bashing Trump. You have default subs that actively suppress any mention of Trump support.

>Your perceived victim complex!

Yeah remind me again which sub is hidden from /all

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[–] patientbearr 1 point 3 hours ago

> Yeah, now look at the comment history of anyone bashing Trump. You have default subs that actively suppress any mention of Trump support.

Not even remotely the same. Everyone upvoting the trash comments here have hundreds and hundreds of comments in T_D and barely anywhere else. Some people have 98 percent of their post history there. The opposite is not true.

> Yeah remind me again which sub is hidden from /all

Remind me again which sub openly promoted a white supremacist rally where a girl was murdered, and then deleted the thread afterward to pretend that it never happened?

I'd say any sub doing that probably deserves a bigger ban than just being hidden from /r/all.

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[–] Techiastronamo -2 points 5 hours ago

The downvotes perfectly display the brigading. What a joke everyone on this thread is

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[–] RumAndGames -19 points 7 hours ago

Lol imagine upvoting someone calling people "NPCs."

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[–] Useful_Vidiots -11 points 7 hours ago

LOL

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[–] BASEDME7O -33 points 7 hours ago

Is this sub seriously using the NPC bulllshit now?

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[–] nitrobyname 26 points 6 hours ago

Lol.... exactly what an NPC would say.

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[–] BASEDME7O -3 points 6 hours ago

An actual “NPC” would parrot the same line at any legitimate criticism because you can’t refute it

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[–] patientbearr -3 points 6 hours ago

He could say literally anything and you would say that

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[–] pog_collection 1 point 5 hours ago

Lol.... exactly what an NPC would say.

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[–] patientbearr 5 points 5 hours ago

Imagine my surprise that you think that /u/pog_collection

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[–] twothumbs 1 point 4 hours ago

Lol... exactly what an npc would say

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[–] patientbearr 2 points 4 hours ago

You're a little less egregious than most but the trend continues, /u/twothumbs!

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[–] pog_collection 1 point 4 hours ago
Indeed, I have imagined it.
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[–] pog_collection (deleted by user) 1 point 5 hours ago
>Lol.... exactly what an NPC would say.
Lol.... exactly what an NPC would say.
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[–] Amplitude 17 points 6 hours ago
You must be new here....?
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[–] Useful_Vidiots 6 points 7 hours ago
Funny how most of the responses sound exactly the same. □
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[–] BASEDME7O -18 points 7 hours ago
Look at every comment praising him. They are literally all the same
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[–] saneromeo 10 points 6 hours ago
Literally all the same... except for those different words and phrases... but literally all the same... as in literally don't know the definition if literally...
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[–] patientbearr 0 points 6 hours ago
Various praises = independent thought! free thinkers!
Various criticisms = NPCs! regurgitating propaganda! CNN watchers!
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[–] twothumbs 1 point 4 hours ago
Various, by definition, means not the same.
The more you know □
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[–] patientbearr 1 point 4 hours ago
Got it, so all the criticisms of him aren't from NPCs then? Glad you agree!
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[–] mrup7935 10 points 6 hours ago
Literally Shaking too
permalink reddit ceddit

[–] Useful_Vidiots -7 points 7 hours ago
□In your he...ead, in your he...ad, Zombie.....Zombie□
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[–] Dood567 -6 points 6 hours ago
I'm not sure if this is a mocking joke or not but it sounds oddly childish to me for some reason
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[–] IShouldLiveInPepper 1 point 6 hours ago
What does NPC stand for?
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[–] BASEDME7O -1 points 6 hours ago
Non player character. Someone on the right cane up with it saying anti trump people just repeat the same shit without thinking and the Donald thought it was cool so they all mindlessly repeat it in response to any legitimate criticism
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[–] WearTheFourFeathers 3 points 5 hours ago
Now I feel like some political nerd somewhere HAS to be currently recording a lefty current events/politicals podcast called "Stay Awhile...And listen!"
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[–] IShouldLiveInPepper -2 points 6 hours ago

Oh, cool.. Thanks. That's about as stupid as I was expecting

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[–] RumAndGames -2 points 7 hours ago

There was an opportunity to make some impact, you'd better *believe* this post is getting the Trump brigade at 110%.

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[–] patientbearr -2 points 6 hours ago

The thread was linked from T_D.

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[–] CorneliusClay -5 points 6 hours ago

There's a post on t_d referencing this post. I expect the majority of commenters here are already quite indulged trump supporters.

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[–] Dannypan -36 points 8 hours ago

The best way to get people on your side is to insult them.

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[–] phoztech 73 points 8 hours ago

pot meet kettle.... Liberals/Democrats/Progressives constantly call people racists /bigots etc etc etc...why? cause they disagree on tax policies or some other mundane thing.

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[–] Dannypan 1 point 6 hours ago

I didn't state which side I'm on. Leftists aren't doing themselves favours by blindly insulting the Right either.

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[–] liquidblue4 7 points 5 hours ago

>favours

Oof another European acting like his opinion on our politics matters.

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[–] KungFuSnafu -31 points 7 hours ago

Yeah, I can just make up blanket statements, too...

All pedes are smart!

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[–] Scudstock 8 points 7 hours ago

Yeah, the blanket statements are best left to the memes, for sure. But I was specifically called a bigot and a Nazi the other day for saying that biological gender is important to declare for my wife that works in medical research

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[–] KungFuSnafu 5 points 6 hours ago

Well that's silly. I totally agree with you that what you experienced was dumb af.

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[–] Nrdrsr 16 points 7 hours ago

Or he could just be pointing out facts - there is gnashing, no? And it seems repetitive and robotic as if programmed

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[–] Dannypan 1 point 4 hours ago

It’s the same on both sides, though! Both sides just attack without trying to understand each other.

I’m not attacking the chap who posted his facts; good on him for giving an actual list.

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[–] -Radical_Edward 5 points 7 hours ago

No, its to get them to start thinking.

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[–] KekistaniKingKong 1 point 20 minutes ago

And this is why you as an individual, not any particular “side” or group will continue to lose. You just proved that you live your life with a victim mentality or as I like to call it the loser mentality. ☹

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[–] 66903972 0 points 3 hours ago

You are a deplorable super-predator.

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[–] **Dannypan** 0 points 3 hours ago

Why?

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[–] **66903972** 2 points 3 hours ago

Ask Hillary.

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[–] **Dannypan** 1 point 3 hours ago

I have no idea what this means.

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[–] **66903972** 2 points 3 hours ago

I'm not surprised.

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[–] **Dannypan** 1 point 3 hours ago

I'm British, so that plays a factor. Came here to try and see something written about Trump that wasn't either extreme criticism or extreme support.

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[–] **nBob20** -1 points 7 hours ago

Deplorable much?

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[–] **Glenn55whelan** -38 points 8 hours ago

Are you 10?

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[–] **gamedemon24** -49 points 8 hours ago

Are you an adult that just called people NPCs?

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[–] **erogilus** 12 points 8 hours ago

Is he wrong?

NPC analogy:

- No independent thought
- Limited dialogue options
- Want everything done for them

That's pretty spot on for a lot of the people who post political commentary/opinions here.

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[–] **gamedemon24** -6 points 8 hours ago

It's a video game term, there's just way more adult ways to describe someone you disagree with.

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[–] **LesFuries** 39 points 7 hours ago

Like calling them a Russian bot or a paid shill?

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[–] **gamedemon24** -3 points 7 hours ago

Those people are children too, putting up a mature argument is important no matter what you believe

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[–] **LesFuries** 11 points 7 hours ago

I expect you to call them on it whenever it happens, then.

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[–] **gamedemon24** 8 points 7 hours ago

I mean, I like to think I generally do. Definitely worth putting in the effort to not be an actual hypocrite

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[–] **LesFuries** 14 points 7 hours ago

Well you're one out of a thousand then.

The NPC meme is a direct result of years of being called a Russian bot, and saying its okay to attack us for our political opinions. It's a bit of fun. If you want to stop dehumanizing speech, maybe it's best to look elsewhere.

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[–] **redditloadedwithnpcs** 6 points 6 hours ago

It's called humor. You might want to take that stick out first.

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[–] Nrdrsr 7 points 7 hours ago

Adults don't play video games?

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[–] gamedemon24 1 point 7 hours ago

They generally don't bring the vernacular into their daily lives, just like you probably wouldn't say "DAE" or "circlejerk" out loud even though you use Reddit

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[–] Nrdrsr 15 points 7 hours ago

But he used it on Reddit... How is that an inappropriate context? This isn't daily life it's an internet website that people use to pass time, it is not some kind of serious occupation

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[–] gamedemon24 -2 points 7 hours ago

Game talk outside of games = immature sounding

Reddit talk outside of Reddit = also immature sounding

I get what you're saying if it's a joking context, like to emulate gamers for humor or something, but to use it as an actual serious name-call is pretty pathetic

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[–] pog_collection 0 points 5 hours ago

He's a trans-adult you bigot

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[–] spacemanspiff30 -65 points 9 hours ago

Calling those who disagree with you NPC's shows you don't like criticism and are dismissive. Also, the president has little direct control of the issues cited, much less within two years of their first term.

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[–] everettdabear 50 points 8 hours ago

It's almost like calling anyone vaguely right wing Russian bots, which was all the rage less than a year ago.

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[–] PhattyBacon 3 points 5 hours ago

Reminder that NPC was a reaction to the Russian bot delusion. It's also extremely apt for those who parrot diologue lines, left or right

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[–] MrJkub 38 points 9 hours ago

Lmao. That sounds ***exactly*** like something an NPC would say, here is some fluff, full of nothing but air.

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[–] johnwalkersbeard -1 points 7 hours ago

What's an NPC?

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[–] MrJkub 6 points 7 hours ago

Non-Playable Character

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[–] johnwalkersbeard -6 points 7 hours ago

Oh okay. Well that makes sense.

I am not a playable character in a video game. I am a human being.

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[–] MrJkub 6 points 7 hours ago

Yet, we're all Russian Agents. Lols, were had by all.

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[–] johnwalkersbeard -5 points 7 hours ago

Ohhhh now, that's not fair. No one says you're FSB

You're not smart enough

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[–] MrJkub 4 points 6 hours ago

Hey, Whatever you need to tell yourself! That's all that matters.

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[–] FromNASAtoNSA 1 point 7 hours ago

The point is NPCs are characters that have preprogrammed repetetive shallow dialogue when you interact with them in games. There is no depth to them.

That's what the analogy is, not that someone accused you of literally being a videogame character...

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[–] johnwalkersbeard 1 point 7 hours ago

Oh so it's a metaphor! Right

So like, during the first 100 days of Trump's presidency, when you guys were calling everyone a cuck, you didn't mean like the relationship that Donald and Melania Trump had where she slept in a different bed, in a different room, in a different building, in a different city, in a different state, four states away, surrounded by dozens of younger, more virile Secret Service agents, night after night after night ..

You didn't mean like THAT kind of cuck, you meant like, someone who wants teachers to get a decent salary.

Similarly, an NPC (to you) isn't literally someone programmed to chant memes on command like "lock her up" or "build the wall", an NPC is someone who pays attention to current events and has a working knowledge of the US Constitution.

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[–] FromNASAtoNSA 1 point 4 hours ago

Who did I call a cuck, you angry fuck. I clarified what "NPC" meant to the guy who didn't know. Also, you're presumtuous as hell talking about teacher wages when I myself am a teacher on a rather meager wage who is pro union and enjoys the extra 200 a month I've been getting from the tax cuts.

Talk about putting your foot in your mouth, you're full of projections.

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[–] spacemanspiff30 -2 points 8 hours ago

Hur Hur Hur, you sure showed me.

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[–] MrJkub 4 points 7 hours ago

Nah, You did, but that's how this works, Right?

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[–] Joxxill -3 points 8 hours ago

C'mon man. People are just having a discussion. No reason to immediately go on the offensive

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[–] octamasu 18 points 8 hours ago

Read the comment again, that was not discussion.

> Outside independent examinations show nothing like the growth this administration claims will happen.

He says this and leaves.

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[–] Doxykitty 2 points 8 hours ago

It can still be a discussion. Refute what he said.

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[–] Scudstock 7 points 7 hours ago

There is no refuting that the US has the highest predicted real GDP gain, both nominal and real. And they aren't coming from "this administration" as the guy was saying.

He's basically blaming Trump for manipulating all available world data, which is disingenuous to the conversation, hence the negative response. I'll refute it here.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development is an intergovernmental economic organisation with 36 member countries produces the following report. It has not a damn thing to do with "This administration".

Predicts US as highest gdp nominal gain of **4.6%**

https://data.oecd.org/gdp/nominal-gdp-forecast.htm#indicator-chart

Highest real GDP gain of **2.13**

https://data.oecd.org/gdp/real-gdp-forecast.htm#indicator-chart

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[–] johnwalkersbeard 1 point 7 hours ago

You want a stranger on the internet to prove to you're not in a video game simulator and that he's not a character who can be controlled by God's Xbox controller?

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[–] spacemanspiff30 -10 points 8 hours ago

Oh, you must an allowing you time to interject with your own opinions and evidence refuting my assertion is a bad thing.

Your are certainly good at moving goalposts and attacking me for having a normal conversation.

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[–] Scudstock 8 points 7 hours ago

Dude, you basically said that the Trump Administration is manipulating numbers, but are refusing to look at every outside source. It was disingenuous. Here, I'll just flat out prove you wrong....

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https://data.oecd.org/gdp/real-gdp-forecast.htm#indicator-chart

Those numbers are the highest featured by the organization, as you can see in the links.

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[–] PlutosSexTape 5 points 7 hours ago

There were no goal posts moved you literally just stated your opinion with no facts and expect not to get called out on it. You might as well just say orange man bad it's just as effective of an argument.

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[–] MrJkub 5 points 7 hours ago

It's spelled, "Delusion".

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[–] Joxxill 0 points 4 hours ago

You might say that. I'm not taking a stance in the discussion, i just think going straight to calling people NPCs is totally uncalled for. So before you go ahead and call me an NPC or whatever else you have in mind, just realize that i haven't even disagreed with your point. I just think you're being unnecessarily hostile

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[–] MrJkub 1 point 3 hours ago

I'm more shocked that you have no idea what the term NPC means on reddit? I can sleep tonight knowing how you feelings relate to my comments. Thanks again! Have a great weekend.

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[–] MrJkub 1 point 3 hours ago

especially when put into the context of how it relates to his actual comment.

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[–] lalicat 3 points 7 hours ago

Lol NPC detected.

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[–] zrockstar 171 points 8 hours ago

Impressive length!

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[–] Amplitude 37 points 6 hours ago

No problems here, let me assure you! □□

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[–] mmmhthatguy 3 points 2 hours ago

Believe me, this is Bigly.

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[–] Dawggonedawg 31 points 7 hours ago

that's what she said.

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[–] TheVegetaMonologues 31 points 7 hours ago

A N I M B L E NA V I G A T O R

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[–] vmerc -1 points 3 hours ago

But chances are Obama has him beat on that one.

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[–] RumAndGames -5 points 7 hours ago
Yeah, that's how copypasta works.
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[–] RahkeemTheMachine 170 points 9 hours ago
Probably the most effective and productive President in American history and only 1/4 way through his presidency. It's alnost like the last group of Presidents weren't even trying.
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[–] Duffy_Munn 79 points 8 hours ago
You mean a community organizer with a past of associating with radicals didn't really know shit? I'm shocked I say. Shocked!
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[–] RickyMissile 43 points 7 hours ago
How dare you sir! How absolutely dare you!
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[–] lostinthegarden1 31 points 5 hours ago
Once again, it's MA'AM
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[–] Rendesi2 2 points an hour ago
Please don't beat me up sir!
permalink reddit ceddit

[–] pjmcflur 24 points 6 hours ago
I'm so offended that I can't even.
permalink reddit ceddit

[–] bpitmd 23 points 5 hours ago
WOMP WOMP
permalink reddit ceddit

[–] TheVegetaMonologues 24 points 7 hours ago
"Community organizers" are either welfare scammers, Marxist agitators, or both. No exceptions.
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[–] Barron_FromTheFuture 9 points 7 hours ago
*muslim community organizer
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[–] ScreamingGordita -6 points 6 hours ago
lol
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[–] traffick -10 points 6 hours ago
Well, you're not going to like it as much when you compare it to the list of bad DT has done.
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[–] PACK_81 6 points 4 hours ago
Still waiting on a massive list of bad things to counter OPs NINE pages of good things.....
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[–] A-Z-1-3 3 points 3 hours ago
Haha right, please direct me to this list
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[–] traffick -2 points 2 hours ago
First of all, I absolutely do not agree that those are all good things and I absolutely don't agree that he is to take any credit for some of them. But I, yes, I think I should compile a list of all of the bad things, that would be a real eye-opener to people like yourself that turn off a critical eye to the massive failures that characterize his presidency. Challenge accepted!
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[–] PACK_81 2 points an hour ago
Comment saved.
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[–] WarGrizzly -14 points 7 hours ago
I'm trying to think whether you're being sarcastic or not, and that really disappoints me.
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[–] RahkeemTheMachine 9 points 4 hours ago

No I'm serious. I fully expect this man to earn a spot on Mount Rushmore when his second term is finished.

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[–] danielkiwi13 -5 points 3 hours ago

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[–] WarGrizzly -6 points 4 hours ago

hahahahaha

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[–] StriderPharazon -21 points 8 hours ago

Here's a fun resource for you.

Another, more expansive life, of the productive Mr. Trump.

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[–] lalicat 31 points 7 hours ago

I once worked for an extremely successful man. When he first came to our organization, all the senior people, not knowing what to think, would compete to be the last one to leave the building. No one dared leave while he was still in the office. So they would show up at 0500 and leave sometimes at 19-2000 every single day. They were getting exhausted and it showed. I was invited to a meeting about an operation we were planning I had a very small piece of it and was included in the meeting despite being by far the most minor person there. During the meeting one of these senior people had made a comment that they'd stay late to have a good product for him to review. This very important person said, why would you stay late? I don't want a late product from you to review, that would only make me stay later. You can do it tomorrow, and you can do it right, if you manage your time properly you'll never have to stay late. He then said "people who have to stay late just show me they don't manage their time very well, if you can get everything you need to get done in 5 hours vs 12 hours then you're effectively managing your time. The only reason I've been staying here late is because I'm presenting in a leadership symposium on Japanese time for the last two weeks.

I saw the look of sheer terror on their faces as they realized they'd fucked themselves by trying to impress the boss with their work ethic. For the next year and a half every single smug senior SOB in that room made it a point to leave before 1400, gleefully checking out with this important person letting them know they'd completed all their work in such little time because they were so effective at managing their time.

Obama took eight years and couldn't accomplish what Trump has done in two. Obama liked to look like he was working, meanwhile Trump works hard and plays hard and you're the stooge who still thinks the amount of time you spend.in the office is equal to productivity. You've obviously never worked in management haha.

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[–] thewookie34 1 point 4 hours ago

Man that a cute story. Imagine for a second if it was based on reality and not your power fantasy though.

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[–] StriderPharazon -8 points 7 hours ago

That's a nice anecdote. I agree that to work at maximum efficiency you need to get ample rest and relaxation. There's no point in running yourself ragged. When I coached fencing, I would often have people that would continue running drills and exercises until they nearly collapsed with strain. I'd have to tell them "you'll never learn the techniques properly until you learn to pace yourself. Never sacrifice your form. Only perfect practice makes perfect."

Trump has no form or technique. Everyone around him dislikes him. His people have left or been indicted. The House and the Senate used him to further their agendas. Mueller is consistently nailing his friends and associates. He even criticizes himself on a day to day basis by blasting his random, inane thoughts all over twitter.

I know that this doesn't make a difference to you, but I'm not directing this at you. I'm just adding my thoughts here as an alternative for anyone reading these discussions.

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[–] lalicat 6 points 6 hours ago

I appreciate you didn't attack me personally but I'd like to add, in business it's nice to be liked by those around you, but it's not needed. I often tell subordinates that I promote, when I'm letting them know they're getting promoted, you're it until I find somebody better. I also tell them that if they want to be a leader I'll empower them. If they want to be a highly paid technician, I'm all for that too. Do your job and I'll pay you. If you prove yourself a leader I'll get you paid more and you won't be chained to a desk.

Trump has form and technique. It's unfortunate that the media has brainwashed people into thinking anything he does, even obviously brilliant things, are just serendipitous for this bumbling illiterate vulgarian. I could never emulate Trump's form or technique but I've made it this far in my life by being able to recognize talent. I get paid an absurd amount of money to do a very simple job. Recognize, develop and promote talent. Yeah I exercise some executive management but for the most part my real talent is developing talent.

Trump gets people to perform at peak efficiency, they don't like him but he's a stepping stone. I often use this analogy with my subordinates. People who rely on the MSM to tell them the truth often suffer from Trump Derangement Syndrome. That's like relying on your co workers opinion of someone. Instead I form my own opinion of each person and this is why I'vebeen so successful transforming problems into productivity. This is also why I get paid to travel the world and see the places lefties dream of, meanwhile indulging my nuclear family the entire time. They're still trying to figure out if they're a stonegender pansexual zir, I'm just trying to figure out the public transit system in Vienna. Who's winning?

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[–] orangemanbad3 -1 points 4 hours ago

> Trump gets people to perform at peak efficiency, they don't like him but he's a stepping stone.

Or by not paying them when he thinks he can get away with it. It's really cost-efficient when you don't have to pay people.

> They're still trying to figure out if they're a stonegender pansexual zir, I'm just trying to figure out the public transit system in Vienna. Who's winning?

Probably the one who doesn't feel the need to validate themselves on the internet, but I digress.

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[–] SpaceForce2020 15 points 7 hours ago

[Charitable Trump List](thegivingtrump.com)

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[–] StriderPharazon -4 points 7 hours ago

Definitely some good coming from his charitable efforts. After 2006, things started getting a bit sketchy, though.

Another Example.

Further example.

This wasn't about charity though. It was simply about his productivity.

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[–] TheColdestFeet -24 points 7 hours ago

1/4? His term is from Jan 2017 to Jan 2021. We're 1/2 way through. Unless you are counting the next presidential term which he has not been elected to.

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[–] drumrocker2 45 points 7 hours ago

>Implying he won't get re-elected with a list of accomplishments like this

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[–] Dood567 -28 points 6 hours ago

A lot of people aren't really big fans of his rn :/

Neither am I. I don't think a dude like that is fit to be president. He has like no real experience in politics and you can tell. Everyday there's something new in the news about how he didn't know something before it became an issue.

"I didn't know being president would be so hard"

"Who knew healthcare was so complicated"

"Oh wow all these people don't get paid and basically go broke if I shut down the government for this long"

Other than just that, his list of accomplishments is kinda stretched I feel. I guess you could say "great jobs and employment records"? This is also forgetting the fact that he obviously isn't responsible in the slightest for a large portion of all these accomplishments and is riding a growing economy.

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[–] needtopass00 25 points 6 hours ago

What is the reason for this growing economy he's riding? Hmmm... I wonder..

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[–] Dood567 -13 points 5 hours ago

Because it's been growing for years now and it's not hard to maintain the policies that helped it grow in the first place?

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[–] MeisterStenz 19 points 5 hours ago

I'm old enough to remember when Democrats told us a sluggish economy was the "new normal" and Obama was going to help us "manage the decline." I remember back in 2013 when pelosi tried to tell us extending unemployment was "one of the best ways to grow the economy" and referred to it as "unemployment." I remember back in 2016 when Obama asked trump "what magic wand do you have" to make manufacturing jobs come back. I'm tired of the the "the economy was already on the way up" bs talk. The economy is doing fantastic right now and not a damn bit of it is because of any democrat policy.

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[–] pog_collection 8 points 4 hours ago

>Because it's been growing for years now and it's not hard to maintain the policies that helped it grow in the first place?

I'm glad Trump maintained Obama's policies by getting rid of them. Thanks Obama!

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[–] badahx 15 points 6 hours ago

"I don't think.." No you sure don't, his accomplishments far out way weigh these kinda petty things you are saying. It's almost comical to read your post and believe that's your reasoning for why he can't be president. Sounds like you don't know much really honestly, a few low energy quotes and you misstate that obama is responsible for the economy. Just kinda shows you, stupid will stay stupid.

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[–] Dood567 -8 points 5 hours ago

I'm not trying to go in for anything personal so idk why Trump supporters jump to attacking anyone that doesn't agree with them right away. I wouldn't ever hire him to run my company is what I'm saying. He's an idiot and he's been pampered with daddy's money forever. He doesn't represent the working class of America and doesn't have any of our interests in mind. I wouldn't ever

hire someone for a position half as important without any experience. God knows why everyone thought having a TV "star" and richboy billionaire (?) as president would be a good idea. He's hypocritical and doesn't know what he's doing.

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[–] mfqueso 1 point 29 minutes ago

This may actually be the most ridiculously ignorant comment I've ever read in my life. Holy shit.

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[–] Midaycarehere 11 points 4 hours ago

You understand correctly. He's getting re-elected.

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[–] RahkeemTheMachine 8 points 4 hours ago

I love when normie reddit gets a taste of alpha Reddit

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[–] TexChicago 1 point 6 minutes ago

r/woosh

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[–] UrADouchelfYouWoosh 1 point 6 minutes ago

Wooshing makes you a douche. Don't be a douche.

Beep boop don't be a douche to this bot. Report issues via PM.

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[–] _n0kx 153 points 8 hours ago

But “Muh Russia!!! ”

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[–] StockAL3Xj -24 points 7 hours ago

I mean, you can still acknowledge someones progress while still being concerned about other aspects of their work.

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[–] FrozenTime 40 points 7 hours ago

Putin: Yes Trump my puppet, I want you to make massive improvements to the American economy and standard of living. Never mind the fact that the only evidence of Russian meddling is a few Facebook ads that were used to fuck with both political parties to supposedly weaken the U.S.

The logic of Muh Russia in a nutshell

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[–] TheTourer (deleted by user) 1 point 3 hours ago

It's less about the collusion and more about the money laundering operation he will go to prison for the rest of his little-handed orange life for.

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 32 points 6 hours ago

Why are you still concerned about the $145,000,000 Hillary received from Russia?

It's time to move on, she lost. It's time to MAGA.

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[–] StockAL3Xj 14 points 6 hours ago

Yes, that is also concerning. No one should be above scrutiny no matter how much you like them.

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[–] patientbearr -6 points 5 hours ago

> It's time to move on, she lost.

Did you die from irony while writing this?

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 17 points 5 hours ago

I want her arrested from stealing millions in relief funds donated for the victims in Haiti. The country is extremely poor and thousands of children are still suffering.

I will not "move on" while children are starving and dying in Haiti.

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[–] patientbearr -10 points 5 hours ago

Let's be honest, you don't give a single fuck about Haiti.

You know it, I know it. Everybody knows it!

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 18 points 5 hours ago

I definitely care.

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[–] patientbearr -11 points 5 hours ago

You're mistaking pretending to care with actually caring.

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 20 points 5 hours ago

Jesus your tribe mentality is so messed up that you are actually defending the theft of $1,000,000,000 in aid funds in one of the most brutal natural disaster in recent history.

You're sick in the head man.

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[–] patientbearr -2 points 5 hours ago

If you actually cared about human rights abuses you would have equal criticism with the president happily continuing to sell arms to a regime that openly tortured and murdered a journalist

But you don't, you only pretend to. Happy to help out!

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 15 points 5 hours ago

I care about the Haiti story specifically, because I live in the Caribbean and meet Haitians all the time.

I've seen the victims, that's why I care.

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 5 hours ago

Got it, so if you can't see the victims they must not be important!

Remember, if you don't actually see the human rights abuses that means they aren't happening!

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 14 points 5 hours ago

Seems I managed to change your mind. You no longer want to "move on" and abandon the victims in Haiti right? Let's arrest Hillary Clinton.

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[–] patientbearr -1 points 5 hours ago

So you want Trump arrested as well, right?

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 12 points 5 hours ago

For what?

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 5 hours ago

So I take it you never learned how to read? It's hardly the only example. He also has a lengthy history of not paying his employees, sexually assaulting women and running a scam university that defrauded thousands of Americans.

So I hope you're consistent? Or are the knives only out for Hillary?

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 11 points 5 hours ago

You think I believe that fake news?

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[–] patientbearr -1 points 5 hours ago

No, I just think you're mentally ill now

Oh by the way I drew a painting of you

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[–] nickyschlobs 7 points 4 hours ago

> drew

> painting

> [actually a photograph]

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[–] patientbearr 1 point 4 hours ago

Hi I'm /u/nickyschlobs and I don't understand how jokes work!

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 6 points 4 hours ago

Insults and fake news. Typical liberal.

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[–] **patientbearr** **2 points** 4 hours ago

Crying that every story that upsets you is fake news, typical Donald fanboy.

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[–] **ArrestHillaryClinton** **5 points** 4 hours ago

Only the ones without evidence.

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[–] **patientbearr** **1 point** 4 hours ago

If you cover your ears and scream, the evidence goes away!

One neat trick! Liberals HATE him!

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[–] **ArrestHillaryClinton** **5 points** 4 hours ago

There is no evidence. That's why these weekly anti-trump hoaxes never amount to anything.

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[–] **patientbearr** **2 points** 4 hours ago

There's no evidence, as long as you keep your eyes closed and your ears covered!

Those 30+ indictments are all fake! If you don't believe in them they didn't happen, just like Santa!

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[–] **ArrestHillaryClinton** **3 points** 4 hours ago

Didn't the indicted come to trial and Mueller ran away crying because he didn't have evidence and cancelled the trial?

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[–] **patientbearr** **2 points** 3

hours ago

Actually two of them plead guilty...

https://www.nytimes.com/2017/12/01/us/pflynn-guilty-russia-investigation.html

https://www.nytimes.com/2018/11/29/nyrecohen-trump-russia-mueller.html

And a third is already in prison!

https://www.npr.org/2018/10/19/658938494manafort-to-be-sentenced-in-february-lawyers-cite-his-health-woes-in-jail

Let me know if you need help with anything else, buddy!

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[–] **ArrestHillaryClinton** 4 points 3 hours ago

Oh the process crimes that have nothing to do with Trump or Russia.

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[–] **patienthearr** 2 points

3 hours ago

I remember when Dan Bongino used the term "process crime" on Fox and then suddenly the entire T_D crowd was using it everywhere they could the very next morning. Must be a coincidence I guess!

> nothing to do with Trump or Russia

Jog my memory, who was it that told Cohen to lie, and what did he lie about?

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 2 points 3 hours ago

Cohen said: "he had very

limited discussions with Trump and others in the Trump Organization."

Fact: He had 3 discussions.

Sounds limited to me.

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[–]
patientbear
2 points
3 hours ago

https://www.washingtc michae-cohen-sentencing-filings/?utm_term=.685f3ab74

> "In particular, and as Cohen himself has now admitted with respect to both payments, he acted in coordination with and at the direction of Individual-1."

"Individual 1" is described as someone who ran a successful campaign for president in

2016. I wonder who that could be?

Remember when you said I was ignoring facts because they were against my team? Don't you agree that that is now hilarious in hindsight?

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[–] ArrestHillaryClinton 4 points 3 hours ago

Can you quote the context?

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 3 hours ago

About what, the payments? They were to Stormy Daniels, the person that the president repeatedly lied about having an affair with.

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[–] ArrestHil 2 points 3

hours ago

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[–] **Kernalburger** **0 points** 4 hours ago

Saying "fake news" over and over just solidifies that you are an idiot.

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[–] **ArrestHillaryClinton** **2 points** 4 hours ago

Maybe present evidence?

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[–] **Kernalburger** **0 points** 3 hours ago

Evidence that you're an idiot?

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[–] **ArrestHillaryClinton** **1 point** 3 hours ago

Yep, nothing unusual from liberals.

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[–] 66903972 2 points 4 hours ago

They did not die yet. They are still in the 2nd Trimester. Still lots of time for them to die.

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[–] patientbearr -2 points 4 hours ago

Only if the mother's life is threatened, but don't let that stop you from spreading the fake news friendo!

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[–] 66903972 6 points 3 hours ago

Or if they feel they will be mentally harmed. Read the bill. (You haven't)

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[–] patientbearr -1 points 3 hours ago

You should probably read it considering it says nothing about the mother "feeling" they will be mentally harmed, that would be at the discretion of a doctor.

I applaud the effort though! Keep spreading the fake news!

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[–] covfefe_rex 58 points 7 hours ago

The real *inconvenient truth*...

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[–] Barron_FromTheFuture 36 points 7 hours ago

Thanks! Much more effective than even I thought

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[–] looneyleftcommies 36 points 6 hours ago

Read this in t_d. Had to come here and upvote.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 5 hours ago

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[–] patientbearr -24 points 5 hours ago

That explains the brigade then

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[–] lalicat 29 points 5 hours ago

It's ok when people link directly to T_D though according to /r/topminds so let them eat cake 👌

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[–] patientbearr -18 points 5 hours ago

Yeah, it's okay because T_D will ban you for literally nothing

You would know, you spend plenty of time there

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[–] lalicat 18 points 5 hours ago

Rofl. I can ban you from T_D right now. But why would I? Have you broken any of our rules? I can check. Should I? Lol. Meanwhile, up on your high horse you want to cry about T_D, anyone who gets more than 5 positive karma in T_D is automatically banned by r/offmychest and two x, and others, rofl. Without even ever having posted there. Do you support that? Honestly I want to know do you support banning people who'venever even posted on a subreddit? Is that progress?

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[–] EJ88 -9 points 3 hours ago

I was banned for asking a simple question in a link about how safe spaces were bad, I asked was The Donald sub not a safe space so kinda contradictory there.

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[–] patientbearr -11 points 4 hours ago

> Rofl. I can ban you from T_D right now.

Don't worry, I'm already banned!

> Honestly I want to know do you support banning people who'venever even posted on a subreddit? Is that progress?

No, I don't! Thanks for the whataboutism though, that totally justifies your favorite sub banning people for the most trivial bullshit imaginable.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 4 hours ago

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[–] thewookie34 -16 points 4 hours ago

Wow someone offended this snowflake. Can some get this poor T_D mod some tissue because I think he has taken some issues with the meanie heads not wanting his little pepes trolling there forum in the same way he bans them from their forum. Irony is dead.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 9 points 5 hours ago

Cause politics won't do the same? Stupid hive mind progressive cultists.

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[–] patientbearr -2 points 5 hours ago

For the record I don't care for them either but I do see dissenters there, they are usually downvoted but they're still allowed to post. Many of the people with lots of posts in T_D also have lots of posts in politics.

I got banned from T_D for pointing out after the first debate that Lester Holt was a registered Republican. That was it. That was literally all it took.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 12 points 4 hours ago

cool story bruh... would you like a tampon with that?

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[–] patientbearr 1 point 4 hours ago

Thank you /u/4nurh86qn7ekybdd! Very cool!

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[–] Rasterblath 6 points 2 hours ago

As one of those people you're basically full of it.

Am I banned? No.

Is every major comment I post drowned out by bullshit that I am unable to respond to because I can only call out garbage every 10 minutes?

Yes.

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[–] patientbearr -1 points 2 hours ago

So in other words an improvement over T_D then where literally anything deviating from the circlejerk earns you an instant permaban

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[–] Rasterblath 5 points 2 hours ago

Let me make one thing straight. I'm not here to argue if one is better than the other.

I get the distinction you're making and on the face it's accurate. The problem I'm highlighting is that while you can define TD as a safe space the result of poor Reddit management has *effectively* resulted in similar conditions in the politics sub.

I mean if I want to delve deeper I could probably go into the politics sub right now and find 5 articles on the front page with misleading info, I don't think TD has that problem.

But yes. You are correct that one is definitionally a safe space.

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 2 hours ago

> I mean if I want to delve deeper I could probably go into the politics sub right now and find 5 articles on the front page with misleading info, I don't think TD has that problem.

I agree with pretty much everything else you said but this is *hilariously* false. There is misinformation spread there every day.

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[–] **Rasterblath** **2 points** 2 hours ago

I swear I have not looked deeply before challenging this.

But I'll go through the politics front page if you think you can do worse with TD. Just let me know.

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[–] **patientbearr** **-1 points** 2 hours ago

I'm not about to do a research paper on the subject. All I'm saying is that the idea that T_D doesn't spread misinformation is objectively false.

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[–] **Rasterblath** **3 points** 2 hours ago

Oh, is that ALL you were saying.

My point stands. You know which is worse.

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[–] **patientbearr** **-1 points** 2 hours ago

> My point stands. You know which is worse.

Probably the one that happily promoted a white supremacist rally where a girl was killed and then deleted the thread afterwards to try to hide their support

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[–] **Rasterblath** **2 points** 2 hours ago

That's fine. I could argue the merits of why your take on that is wrong but regardless that's one example from 18 months ago.

The problem I said though was that TD doesn't spread misinformation on its front page on a daily basis.

So again, my point still stands and was accurate.

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[–] **patientbearr** **0 points** 2 hours ago

> The problem I said though was that TD doesn't spread misinformation on its front page on a daily basis.

Yeah, and the problem with this is that it's objectively very wrong

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[–] **Rasterblath** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Then take the challenge or get blocked. Go ahead, find something right now.

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[–] **patientbearr** **0 points** 2 hours ago

You made the claim, why is the onus on me to prove your claim?

You know as well as I do that they regularly spread fake and misleading bullshit. Is this really the hill you want to die on?

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[–] **Rasterblath** **1 point** 2 hours ago

The burdens on you because I'm claiming if you look at something that's readily available to us both that you won't find anything objectionable. My burden is already complete.

If you want to claim a counter argument, which you did, you need sources.

But let me play this game now.

>So in other words an improvement over T_D where literally anything deviating from the circlejerk earns you an instant permaban

Prove this. The burden is on you. Provide sources and evidence, particularly in regard to "anything" and "circlejerk". I'll be waiting since this is the standard of debate you've outlined for yourself.

Here's a second chance to prove you are not a coward.

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[–] **patientbearr** **1 point** 2 hours ago

> If you want to claim a counter argument, which you did, you need sources.

So claiming an argument = no sources needed! just take my word for it!

Claiming a counter argument = PROVE IT YOU COWARD

Just pinning down this double standard you're holding me to.

> Prove this. The burden is on you. Provide sources and evidence, particularly in regard to “anything” and “circlejerk”. I’ll be waiting since this is the standard of debate you’ve outlined for yourself.

My evidence is anecdotal; I was banned from there when I pointed out after the first debate that Lester Holt was a registered Republican.

I'm sure the comment is still in my post history but I'm not digging back two years for the sake of an internet argument with an idiot in denial.

A friend of mine was banned for pointing out that Hamilton was sold out through 2018 during the height of the #BoycottHamilton effort.

I seriously don't know why this is the hill you want to die on.

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[–] **Rasterblath** 1 point an hour ago

Yup.

2 chances to source 2 different claims.

Obvious time waster at this point. Blocked.

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[–] **[deleted]** 1 point 2 hours ago

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[–] **Dolurn** -6 points 4 hours ago

Someone active in t_d calling someone else a “stupid hive mind.” Come on, both politics and t_d are hive minds.

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[–] **4nurh86qn7ekybdd** 4 points 4 hours ago

Sure - but given we are winning, the stupid part is reserved for the progressive cult.

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[–] **Dolurn** -7 points 4 hours ago

A lot of winning after that last election, eh?

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[–] **4nurh86qn7ekybdd** 5 points 4 hours ago

Yes - but don't forget the salt mining. A large part of this effort is in making progressives feel like their social status is reduced.

Seeing as progressive confuse attention with accomplishment as a matter of religious practise, the salt mining is also good fun. Making leftists look stupid is hella fun!

See also - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c97-UMhbDvY

Not sure this is legit news, but the salt mining is where it is at!

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[–] **Dolurn** 1 point 4 hours ago

How is acting like half of your constituents are worth less than the other half a good thing?

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[–] FredBangedDaphne 2 points 3 hours ago

Top minds will ban you for anything. Just go read their rules. It's bullshit.

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[–] markannamary 1 point 4 hours ago

You don't sound like you're living up to your username ...u/patientlessbearr maybe

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[–] patientbearr -1 points 4 hours ago

I don't think that's how that word works, but thanks for your contribution /u/markannamary!

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[–] markannamary 2 points 4 hours ago

Oh no, now you're just u/judgementbearr Btw shouldn't you be hibernating?

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 3 hours ago

I was hibernating until I felt a great distubance in the Force, as if millions of voices cried out in terror and were suddenly mentally ill

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[–] markannamary 5 points 3 hours ago

We like to call them ANTIFAS...

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[–] patientbearr (deleted by user) 1 point 3 hours ago

We like to call you MENTALLY ILL

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 2 hours ago

Ah yes, Antifa, the ultimate boogeyman. I hear all these complaints about them and yet there's a 99 percent chance that you've never met a single Antifa member in your entire life and never will. They're a fringe group based in Portland that has barely any influence at all.

And we like to call you MENTALLY ILL.

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[–] markannamary 1 point 2 hours ago

Oh...now I understand...you've been living in a cave u/patientbearr or are you u/buzzfeedbearr because ANTIFA beat down: two United States uniformed Marines in Philadelphia, peaceful protesters in Berkeley, attacked a group of young men in NYC, threw bottles of urine at police in Charlottesville and their leader was just arrested in DC, not Portland, on ethnic intimidation charges. It may be dark in your cave but try to find a map and a good news source. Calling people mentally ill is extremely intolerant to those suffering with a disorder. 8 million mentally ill people die every year, it's not something to mock. Now, TDS? That effects a lot of people...especially really patientbearrs ...hey, reddit...TIL Bears Can Suffer From TDS Too!

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[–] patientbearr 0 points 2 hours ago

> threw bottles of urine at police in Charlottesville

It's interesting how a girl was murdered by white supremacists at that event but the issue you're most outraged about is people throwing bottles of pee.

Really speaks volumes about the level of mental illness. It's a particularly severe case.

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[–] markannamary 1 point 2 hours ago

Funny how you aren't worried about the US Marines that were beaten or any of the other numerous nationwide violent events caused by ANTIFA Shows your true colors...u/anti-Americanbearr Get help for your TDS it's hurting the littlebearr in you

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[–] gangweeder -1 points 3 hours ago

I was confused too lol

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[–] christo334 33 points 8 hours ago

Damn this guy trump support

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[–] travelthief 23 points 5 hours ago

Where's u/poppinkreame (or u/poppinkream) to post Gish Gallup when you need her. She should take notes on this.

Oh wait she only posts anti trump stuff.

hmmmmmmmm

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[–] Tupiekit 11 points 8 hours ago

While I 100% agree with you on all of this, I am very curious to see studies on what these tariffs have done to the economy. I know when Obama did the samething to China in regards to tariffs on rubber tires we gained around 2,000 jobs in the tire industry....but then ended up losing like 100,000 jobs in many other sectors affected by the tariffs.

I will admit that those numbers might be wrong, but I do know that there was a large job loss compared to the job gains.

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[–] TysonButterbean 38 points 8 hours ago

Well, it's still in progress. We won't know the true effects until much farther down the road, and I believe we're about to ramp up tariffs further. Americans will end up paying more for consumer products and more jobs that can come back here, will.

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[–] Tupiekit 4 points 8 hours ago

Ya I am curious to see the long term affects of these tariffs. Personally I think its going to be similar to the Obama tariffs, but who knows.

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[–] mrup7935 16 points 6 hours ago

Tariffs on steel are bringing back the steel industry strong, plants opening back up/expanding

Some short term pain for long-term gain

Look up Chinas economy, they are hurting right now because of tariffs

Ready to make a deal

China has been taking advantage of US for too long, Trump is finally evening the playing field

Theres videos of Trump from like 20-30 yrs ago saying the same things hes saying today about China ripping us off, currency manipulating

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[–] reccession -8 points 7 hours ago

Well we already know the tariffs have caused a bunch of layoffs and will most likely kill American nail production completely.

http://www.aei.org/publication/backfire-economics-the-us-nail-business-gets-hammered-by-trumps-steel-tariffs/

https://thehill.com/homenews/administration/393793-nail-supplier-who-voted-for-trump-blames-him-for-layoffs-asks?amp

That second link is some wonderful schadenfreude though, It is nice seeing the majority of the trump supporters being screwed over by "their guy".

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[–] Mug_Ruith2369 3 points 3 hours ago

Trump supporters only care about themselves

Trump supporters are voting against their interest

Choose one

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[–] retisense 27 points 7 hours ago

Tarrifs have brought other countries to the table where they had no motivation to negotiate. "Hey, can we renegotiate this trade deal that you're unequivocally bending us over with?", Nah, we're cool. But now, they have to come to the table, because we SLAP them with tarriffs. Watch Trump's latest meeting with China Vice Premier, which he unprecedentedly (and hilariously) just let reporters into the middle of the fucking meeting.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1P-BUEaH3U

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[–] MeisterStenz 14 points 5 hours ago

Exactly. It’s not the tariffs themselves. It’s the “you’re either going to negotiate with us or we’re going to get a better deal elsewhere” that goes along with the tariffs.

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[–] lunch77 8 points 4 hours ago

Things that are bad in the short term can be an incredible negotiating leverage for the long term.

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[–] needtopass00 21 points 6 hours ago

The greatest effect imo is that we are making our own steel. Imagine we go to war with another superpower (China) and we have to rely on importing steel. That is a scenario no country can afford to be in. You HAVE to have the ability to produce your own steel and other manufacturing products, especially if you plan to use your military might to push other countries around, as the United States frequently does.

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[–] **mrup7935** **14 points** 6 hours ago

Yup and US steel is higher quality

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[–] **residue69** **10 points** 7 hours ago

Record U.S. Soybean Sale to China

>"Today's sale of 2.74 mmt of U.S. soybeans to China is the single largest daily soybean sale since USDA began issuing daily sales reports in 1977. This is another strong sign that China continues to look to the U.S. as a reliable supplier of high-quality products. This is great news not just for American soybean farmers, but for the U.S. economy overall."

>The U.S.-China trade relationship continues to flourish, thanks in large part to agriculture. U.S. farm exports to China have grown nearly tenfold over the past decade, from $1.5 billion in fiscal year 2000 to $15 billion in 2010. Each $1 billion in exports supports 8,000 jobs throughout the supply chain, including rural growers, processors, shippers and others.

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[–] **reccession** **-7 points** 7 hours ago

The tariffs have already caused a bunch of layoffs than the jobs it created:

https://thehill.com/homenews/administration/393793-nail-supplier-who-voted-for-trump-blames-him-for-layoffs-asks?amp

http://www.aei.org/publication/backfire-economics-the-us-nail-business-gets-hammered-by-trumps-steel-tariffs/

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[–] **mrup7935** **10 points** 6 hours ago

Sorry to hear that, tariffs aren't gonna be without some short term pain, gotta look at the big picture tho, long-term, when the dust settles US will come out ahead

Chinas economy is suffering, they've already made some concessions, now they are ready to make a deal

The US steel industry is roaring back creating lots of new jobs, reopening plants/expanding operations

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[–] **gideonbayle** **7 points** 6 hours ago

This is but a bump. They were used to using cheaply made Chinese steel. being flooded into the market and subsidized by their government. To not realize this was happening and allow for steel cost market readjustment within your company's economic projections is naive and they deserve to be getting hammered. It means they took advantage of a uncommonly low priced and saturated market and overspent. They rolled the dice on that count. However US steel is coming back. Market should adjust with an increasing supply of non tariffed, quality steel; and allow them to continue operations. I just hope they are better at gauging the market and budgeting next time around.

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[–] **ddepippo** **9 points** 2 hours ago

GET THIS MAN A COAT!!!

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[–] **Slick93** **7 points** 3 hours ago

AMERICA FIRST.

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[–] **xFrostyDog** **5 points** 3 hours ago

Well this makes me feel like shit about being unable to find a job lol

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[–] **HilaryDuffleBags** **3 points** 2 hours ago

You're doing gods work son

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[–] **brodudedoggman** **3 points** an hour ago

Thank you so much for speaking the truth.

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[–] **thewookie34** **1 point** 2 hours ago

Oh look the NPCs just wanted to Brigade!

https://www.reddit.com/r/The_Donald/comments/am2wxl/npcs_are_going_bonkers_over_on_askreddit_because/

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[–] **[deleted]** **1 point** 14 hours ago

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[–] jackwoww 0 points 3 hours ago

> More Americans are employed now than ever before in our history

By percentage or by amount...because...

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[–] SamuraiBandit 5 points 2 hours ago

...Because what?

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[–] jackwoww -5 points 2 hours ago

Because more Americans probably exist than ever before in our history...

This guy brings up some good points but a lot of it also sounds like vague PR bullshit.

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[–] SamuraiBandit 4 points an hour ago

OK, well you know that you could find an answer to that in about 5 seconds, right?

Here's the top 15 best years for unemployment rates:

Year	Unemployment Rate (December)
1944	1.20%
1943	1.90%
1945	1.90%
1952	2.70%
1951	3.10%
1929	3.20%
1968	3.40%
1969	3.50%
1947	3.60%
1966	3.80%
1967	3.80%
1946	3.90%
2000	3.90%
2018	**3.90%**
1948	4.00%

Source: https://www.thebalance.com/unemployment-rate-by-year-3305506

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[–] UnfazedButDazed -1 points 3 hours ago

Wait, how old is "youth"? Isn't youth unemployment a good thing if it means teenagers?

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[–] SamuraiBandit 3 points 2 hours ago

"Unemployed" doesn't just mean "doesn't have a job." Babies aren't unemployed. Retirees aren't unemployed.

A person is only considered unemployed in economics if they are not only able and willing but actively looking for work and can't find it.

So no, teen unemployment isn't a good thing if they are trying to work - because they are likely trying to save for college, pay for their bills, or contribute to their families, which is often the case for teens who want to work.

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[–] idkwhatimdoing25 -3 points 3 hours ago

I'm asking because I genuinely do not know the answer... but how much of that was due to Obama? I know with economics results aren't immediate so it can take years to see if it helped or hurt. I hear people saying this good stuff is from Obama but I don't actually know if thats true or not.

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[–] AnarchoElk 15 points 2 hours ago

A lot of the economic benefits are from Trump's push for job creation and regulation slashing.

Obama himself said rates like this were impossible, and had 8 years to do it. It doesn't take 9 years for changes to take effect. Even in the first year, or after the election but before Trump got into office there was a big boost that was unseen during the Obama administration, purely out of hopes for a more economically friendly government.

Changes can definitely take time to take effect in some scenarios. This isn't one of the ones you can give to Obama. It's almost funny how any downturn the left will say "Ha! See? Trump is bad." and as soon as it turns back up it's thanks to Obama. Somehow he's having an effect after negative affects blamed on Trump.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 2 hours ago

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[–] DaddyTaco -10 points 5 hours ago

Not doubting you, but posting all of these without proof doesn't look good. Have you got links to back up your claims?

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[–] TysonButterbean 3 points an hour ago

Reading the daily news from the last two years should be a good start. The actual news that reports facts, not articles like 'Donald Trump Jr. may just be an agent of the Kremlin' or whatnot. Read something like the Financial Times, and stay focused on facts, and the language they use in articles. Are they actually stating verified facts, or are they massaging some nugget of information in order to bolster an in reality weakly supported narrative.

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[–] A_RANDOM_ANSWER -10 points 3 hours ago

Ahaha you asked a valid question and got -7 downvotes. Trump supporters will accept anything blindly as long as it's in their best interest to do so.

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[–] null_status -11 points 5 hours ago

And do you have direct evidence that all of that is the result of Trump? Most of those stats have been trending that direction, and it's quite possible they reached this point despite Trump and may be even better without him.

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[–] barktothefuture -12 points 3 hours ago

Assuming all these numbers are true it has basically nothing to do with Trump being president.

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[–] Vila-real -14 points 4 hours ago

I work for a nonprofit where we put the unemployed to work, specially minorities. Unemployment under 10% for African Americans is just not true. I live in a big city, too. It's more like 20-25% (reported).

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[–] TysonButterbean 3 points 2 hours ago

Perhaps it's 20% in your city, but 10% nationwide?

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[–] About61Lemurs -14 points 6 hours ago

I have a question about one of your points. When you say more Americans are employed now than ever before, are you talking percentage or raw numbers. Because the simple fact is that there's more *American's* than ever before, so that's not actually that impressive.

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[–] vulkur 23 points 6 hours ago

Its percentage.

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[–] TysonButterbean 3 points an hour ago

Raw numbers. The lowest rate on record was during World War 2, but there were far fewer Americans then. So more in number are employed now. The rate itself is 3.9%, which is the best it's been since the year 2000.

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[–] Heathen_ 3 points 2 hours ago

Qwik Mafs:

1,000,000 Americans, 70% have jobs: 700,000 Americans have jobs

Percentage 5% Increase:
1,000,000 Americans, 75% have jobs: 750,000 Americans have jobs
Result = More Americans have jobs.

Americans 5% increase:
1,050,000 Americans, 70% have jobs: 735,000 Americans have jobs.
Result = More Amercans have jobs.

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[–] A_RANDOM_ANSWER -14 points 4 hours ago

All this while continuing to deny the fact that climate change exists, and allowing huge corporations to continue to destroy the environment.

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[–] TehBlackSheep (deleted by user) 1 point an hour ago

First it was global cooling, then it was global cooling, and now it's climate change.

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[–] A_RANDOM_ANSWER 1 point an hour ago

God you're ignorant. They're all synonymous for the same thing. There *is* global cooling, there *is* global warming, it's all a part of climate change.

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[–] TehBlackSheep 1 point an hour ago

Quick to insulting. Must've hit a nerve haha. Didn't say I denied anything either. I just stated that it was global cooling, then it turned into global warming, and now it's climate change. You make up your own mind and do your own research if you are so inclined to do so. I'm not here to convince you one way or the other.

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[–] PBFT (deleted by user) -15 points 11 hours ago

You do know that Trump's budget didn't go into effect until 2019 right? 2nd quarter 2018 was all Obama. Trump had been in office for only 5 months and had no influence.

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[–] hellrazzer24 26 points 10 hours ago

What does his budget have to do with he economy? He tore down many regulations via Executive Order in his first 90 days on the job. That started the 3% growth. His tax cuts just kept fueling it.

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[–] Acceptable_Volume 22 points 10 hours ago

You do realize that when it comes to economic activity, expected risk and reward are priced in.

Companies in particular will act on future tax raises or cuts, future growth opportunities, future labor trends, etc.

"No influence" is rather incorrect. Companies started planning for a Trump economy before he took office.

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[–] EnemyofmyEnemysTrump 17 points 10 hours ago

This person does not know what they're talking about or they're intentionally lying.

Trump became President in January 2017, his first budget was proposed in March 2017 and negotiated with congress until the end of April to go into effect October 1st, 2017.

https://www.chicagotribune.com/news/nationworld/politics/ct-trump-budget-20170315-story.html

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[–] Agent_Orange7 -16 points 5 hours ago

There's no indication that any of this happened because of trumps actions. This is the natural effect of an ending recession.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 12 points 5 hours ago

There is also no indication you're a moron, but here we are.

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[–] lucaskhelm 4 points 4 hours ago

Ah cha cha.

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[–] davesidious -18 points 5 hours ago

Don't confuse good things which happened during his presidency with his policy causing them. That's an overly-simplistic, almost superstitious view of cause and effect. You've done that with quite a few of those.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 17 points 5 hours ago

Read what you wrote again, and then punch yourself in the face.

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[–] thewookie34 -10 points 4 hours ago

So much for the tolerant right.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 10 points 4 hours ago

Aren't we were all russian bots and alt right nazis?

A long time ago, a very famous poet called it the widening gyre. This is what you are experiencing now. Does all your virtue signalling from the past not seem like such a good idea now?

There is no room for tolerance with progressive cultists. You lot need to be cut out like the cancer you are.

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[–] thewookie34 -9 points 4 hours ago

So much for the tolerant right

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 0 points 4 hours ago

Correct - we'll take the your 'innovations', hate crimes, hate speech, microagressions, etc etc and put them to good use.

To use your words, we will be 'tolerant'. I mean, the progressives commit so many 'hate crimes', just open any news paper, i'm sure gutting you like an aborted baby is tolerant at this point, isn't it?

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[–] thewookie34 -4 points 4 hours ago

So much for the tolerant right.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 2 points 4 hours ago

lol... npc

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[–] thewookie34 -1 points 4 hours ago

Irony

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[–] HotRoger -19 points 7 hours ago

Which of his policies created all this magic?

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[–] wahmifeels 25 points 6 hours ago

Lots of deregulation.

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[–] patientbearr -11 points 5 hours ago

This is another way of saying "I have no idea"

"Deregulation" is a broad term that's hard to quantify and a lot of it hasn't even gone into effect. It's an easy buzzword to convince morons.

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[–] Heathen_ 6 points an hour ago

No, it's another way of saying getting rid of stupid regulations that force manufacturers and companies to jump through numerous hoops to accomplish a thing, that overseas companies do not have to.

This forces your company to close, or move overseas to avoid these hoops.

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[–] ISwallowedALego -19 points 8 hours ago

Which of his policies contributed to the jobless rate and how does this compare to the trend before he took office? Was the jobless rate already declining and just continued? How can he take credit for that? Particularly the African American unemployment rate has just been following a trend from the last 8ish years, how does he get credit for that?

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[–] ASAP_Tom 34 points 8 hours ago

Even if you take that stance, he hasn’t ruined the trend either has he? All we heard from liberals was that he would ruin the economy. Even if for some reason It was all obama (not true btw) shouldn’t he get credit for keeping It going?

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[–] patientbearr -3 points 5 hours ago

Unemployment has been dropping and the stock market rising since 2010.

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[–] ISwallowedALego -8 points 7 hours ago

I don't tend to give credit to people for doing nothing. What I will argue is taking credit for doing nothing is wrong. He takes credit for the low unemployment but spent a lot of time criticizing Obama even though it decreased under him as well. What some liberals say doesn't matter, some conservatives said really dumb things as well but it's irrelevant, there's 100 predictions a day and we all ignore most of them.

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[–] saneromeo 12 points 6 hours ago

Didn't obama say those jobs aren't coming back? 1% growth is the new norm? What magic wand do you have? That implies Trump did something that Obama believed impossible.

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[–] ISwallowedALego 0 points 5 hours ago

You mean when Obama was talking about the Carrier manufacturing jobs specifically? Here is him saying it regarding steel manufacturing. Context is everything. How is that tied to Unemployment of African Americans? Or are you just changing topics?

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[–] HilaryDuffleBags 2 points an hour ago

When you call the unemployment rate the jobless rate it is a good indication that you have no fucking clue what you are talking about lmao

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[–] jackbdick -20 points 5 hours ago

All of this is thanks to Barack Obama. Nearly every president takes credit for previous presidential successes that unfold after said president leaves office and it changes hands.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 13 points 5 hours ago

lol... fucking idiot...

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[–] jackbdick -7 points 4 hours ago

There's that MAGA charm!

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 5 points 4 hours ago

And the turn right is just getting started. Don't worry, we'll take your hate speech laws and turn them right around.

I'm lobbying for the pussy hat to be made a 'hate symbol', and wearing a pussy hat a hate crime. Should be a good century.

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[–] jackbdick -2 points 3 hours ago

I have no idea what you're talking about.

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[–] djm19 -21 points 5 hours ago

I mean, ALL of that is a continuation of a trend that started before him. And one would say presidents have minimal impact anyway. And CERTAINLY Trump least of all recognized these same positive notes in the prior admin. So he really does not get credit for *any* of that. Would you not agree?

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 13 points 5 hours ago

You understand you're a moron right?

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[–] djm19 -5 points 4 hours ago

Please elaborate for my infinitely moronic mind cant understand why.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point an hour ago

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[–] lalicat 12 points 5 hours ago

>Noticed your a T_D user, better back out before I get rekt.

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[–] CsMcG 8 points 4 hours ago

Noticed you're not going to participate in confirmation bias with me, won't engage.

MY SIDES

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[–] IWillDoItTuesday -21 points 7 hours ago

Thanks, Obama.

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[–] lalicat 9 points 5 hours ago

Thanks Bush!

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[–] ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user) -22 points 8 hours ago

Where are the sources?

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[–] TysonButterbean 39 points 8 hours ago

Read the last two years of news (not CNN), you'll be fine.

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[–] ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user) -23 points 8 hours ago

It's funny you assume I watch cnn. No but seriously, you don't have any credible sources and people believe you?

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[–] TysonButterbean 42 points 8 hours ago

You obviously don't read any news at all, since you actually think you're making a good point by asking for sources. As I said, just follow the actual news on a day to day basis, and you'll catch up.

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[–] BeefSerious -25 points 8 hours ago

Still no sources.

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[–] TysonButterbean 34 points 8 hours ago

Just read the news, and you will catch up eventually. Not the shit they have on r/politics.

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[–] xFYD_ 0 points 8 hours ago

Hey thanks for the big list, did you compile it or get it from elsewhere? If you made it could you put in in a pastebin or something so it's all in one place?

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[–] LawyersPlayDota 3 points 6 hours ago

His data was likely compiled from sources over the last several years that made it to t_d and news sites outside of the control of the far left. If I had more free time I'd be happy to link it to you but for now I'd recommend googling individual claims (most are easy to find)

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[–] dcmc6d 4 points 3 hours ago

Keep in mind that Google is unapologetically against Trump and admitted to actively skewing search results in favor of Hillary and against Trump. If that's okay with you, continue to Google. If not, use duckduckgo.com to get an Unbiased look.

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[–] LawyersPlayDota 1 point 3 hours ago

Google, the verb, not the shithole company :p

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[–] dcmc6d 1 point 3 hours ago

Love it

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[–] WarGrizzly -4 points 7 hours ago

Study it out, just study it out

That's not an acceptable citation

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[–] ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user) -34 points 8 hours ago

Ahh you're a T_D poster, who let you out of your cesspool again?

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[–] TysonButterbean 56 points 8 hours ago

Yes, big shock that the person posting long lists of Trump's accomplishments posts on the sub dedicated to him. You found me out. And believe me, you're *the very first* genius to ever deduce that.

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[–] BrodyKrautch 11 points 6 hours ago

It's hysterical how much it bothers these nutjobs that Trump supporters are allowed to have a single sub to themselves.

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[–] KaktusDan 2 points 3 hours ago

They really are that dumb, aren't they?

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[–] ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user) -16 points 8 hours ago

But who let you out? Isn't that the containment sub?

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[–] TysonButterbean 38 points 8 hours ago

Most don't bother with other subs because they are censored as f***, if that's what you're alluding to.

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[–] thewookie34 1 point 2 hours ago

This is irony.

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[–] **Fappy_Go_Lucky** **2 points** 7 hours ago

NPC stuck in goto loop

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[–] **RectalJihad** **15 points** 8 hours ago

Yet no one throws it in your face that you post in r/micropenis and r/pegging. Who posts where doesn't really matter, now does it?

Quick, go delete all those posts!!!

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[–] **T0pwater61** **6 points** 7 hours ago

Ahahahhahahaha!!!

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[–] **Strange_Bedfellow** **5 points** 6 hours ago

AHAHAH HOLY SHIT.

The meme magic is real. Wow.

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[–] **Fappy_Go_Lucky** **4 points** 7 hours ago

Says RectalJihad...

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[–] **ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user)** **1 point** 7 hours ago

You're projecting, mate. Go have great day.

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[–] **RectalJihad** **5 points** 7 hours ago

You have a great MAGA day as well!!!

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[–] **NamiBangMePlz** **12 points** 8 hours ago

"HuR dUr U pOsT oN T_d I cAuGhT u"

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[–] **ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user)** **1 point** 7 hours ago

What?

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[–] **T0pwater61** **8 points** 7 hours ago

Do you really post on r/pegging and you're faulting him for supporting the president? You're literally what we make memes out of.

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[–] **ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user)** **1 point** 7 hours ago

I just asked for sources. Also, stop projecting.

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[–] **PlutosSexTape** **8 points** 7 hours ago

After further review you post in a subreddit I deem not worthy. You shall be shunned and silenced for having different view points and beliefs.

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[–] **octamasu** **8 points** 8 hours ago

heheh this person told me to google but now I see he posts on the donald you almost had me there but huhuh better luck next time pal

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[–] **ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user)** **-2 points** 8 hours ago

Ok?

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **15 points** 8 hours ago

whooosh

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[–] **bluto36** **3 points** 8 hours ago

everyone knows NPC's do not react well to T_D

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[–] ThisIsClarkKent (deleted by user) 2 points 8 hours ago

They're manufactured there, yes.

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[–] TysonButterbean 15 points 8 hours ago

Your words are oddly vertical

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[–] PMMeUrHopesNDreams -23 points 7 hours ago

Crediting (or blaming) one person, even the President, for broad economic trends is really really stupid and disingenuous.

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 14 points 4 hours ago

Disingenous! Arguing in bad faith! I don't have a good response so I'll repeat these buzzwords!

We all understand why the President is not the sole reason for strong or weak economic activity. You might not. The economic engine is driven by the job creators and nation's workers. They in turn are motivated by the possibility of making money. The President understands all of that and he energized the economy by reducing taxes and regulations and--by way of tarriffs and reorganization of trade deals-- by making it more profitable for some industries to bring or return operations to the US.

Another big influence on the economy is the availability of money to borrow. Obama had essentially 8 years of 0% interest to play with. Donald Trump has managed to start up the economic engine even with rising interest rates from the Fed. So he deserves even more credit.

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[–] PMMeUrHopesNDreams -4 points 4 hours ago

Yeah, that's not how any of that works at all. The economy was growing steadily for years before Trump took office, and it continued doing so. This is not surprising. At some point it will contract and go into a recession. It's called the business cycle, look it up. It has fuckall to do with who is the President.

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 6 points 2 hours ago

>that's not how any of that works at all

Using a caption from a meme doesn't lend weight to your argument.

>It's called the business cycle, look it up. It has fuckall to do with who is the President.

So it's even funnier then how Obama tried taking credit for Trump's great economy, isn't it? Obama said, "Thanks, Obama!" That was a pathetic and desperate grab for the spotlight. Too bad you weren't there to tell him he had "fuckall" to do with it, since *that's* when you would have been right.

Back to the subject, I'm glad you have found out about the business cycle. I wonder, do no bills or regulations put forth by Congress or the president have any effect on the economy? This would mean the financial collapse of 2008 can't be blamed on lax regulation that led to banks making bad mortgage loans and bundling those loans into financial products for unwary investors. This would also mean Italy and Greece do poorly compared to Germany because they're just stuck in a bad part of the business cycle. Too much government spending doesn't have anything to do with it. And Maduro's policies in Venezuela have no connection to people having to roast their own pets over scraps of lit garbage. It's the business cycle!

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[–] PMMeUrHopesNDreams -1 points an hour ago

> Too bad you weren't there to tell him he had "fuckall" to do with it, since that's when you would have been right.

See, that's how you know you're full of it right there. "When *other guy* is President and economy is good, he didn't do anything! When *my guy* is President and economy is good he did it all! Yay!"

> This would mean the financial collapse of 2008 can't be blamed on lax regulation that led to banks making bad mortgage loans and bundling those loans into financial products for unwary investors.

The chain of events that led to the 2008 collapse goes back to the 1970s. No one decision by any single person caused that. Just like no one decision by Trump is responsible for the economy today.

If the economy goes into recession in the next two years, as it is looking likely to do, are you going to blame Trump then as much as you are praising him now? Or will you somehow find a way for it to be Obama's fault?

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 2 points an hour ago

You missed my point about Obama. I'd have no problem if he just took credit for his years, but then he had take credit a year and a half after he left for things he or his adminstration suggested were impossible to begin with, e.g., "two percent growth is the new normal" or "what magic wand does he have".

If it goes into a long term recession I would certainly examine why and I would place responsibility with Trump for any of his actions that seem connected.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 2 hours ago

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken -23 points 7 hours ago

All true but crediting a president for what is happening in the economy is a dubious business. Many factors play into economic growth.

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[–] Neptunes_rings 28 points 7 hours ago

Like confidence in leadership?

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken -3 points 5 hours ago

Based on the downvotes I'm not sure there is a discussion to be had here but the boom, bust cycle is part of how a healthy economy works. You can't boom forever. China is in the process of learning this the hard way. In trump's case his tax cut has contributed to a longer boom, but it hasn't moved wages. Also, the american people are extremely devided about him and he is unpopular by historical standards so I don't think you can credit confidence in leadership.

In my opinion what we've done is trade short term gain for long term deficit and dramatically increased the possibility of forced austerity in the mid term future.

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[–] CorneliusClay -25 points 7 hours ago

I don't understand how any of this implies Donald Trump is responsible. You'd expect employment rates to increase regardless of who is in office due to businesses expanding, new businesses being created, and a larger population.

>The economy has achieved the longest positive job-growth streak on record. How long is this streak? Does it coincide with the length of Donald Trump's presidency? If not, how does this prove anything?

> More Americans are employed now than ever before in our history. Was this also the case last year? If so, again it doesn't seem like anything drastic has happened all of a sudden since Donald became president.

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[–] NerdAtSea -15 points 7 hours ago

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That's because he isn't.

They're leaving out that most indicators actually point toward a slowdown if not a recession -- those are his policies impacts.

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[–] wmd59 10 points 7 hours ago

I don't think your feelings count as economic indicators bud.

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[–] NerdAtSea -1 points 7 hours ago

I agree?

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[–] wmd59 7 points 7 hours ago

Fair enough

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[–] emporercrunch -27 points 7 hours ago

Lol, what a bunch of bullshit propaganda, try putting in sources.

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[–] wahmifeels 40 points 6 hours ago

Mostly the deregualtion and tax reform. This fairly well known among economists.

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[–] emporercrunch -5 points 6 hours ago

https://np.reddit.com/r/AskReddit/comments/alz64o/what_good_has_donald_trump_done/efjjk30/

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[–] wahmifeels 18 points 6 hours ago

"The hill, opinion."

Lol!

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[–] emporercrunch -9 points 6 hours ago

Which publication do you trust? Breitbart, Storm front?

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 13 points 5 hours ago

Jesus, can no democrat be proven they were mistaken without calling someone a racist or nazi?

Like just not responding is even better because then we just might think you don't have time to argue on the internet. Instead, you just proved you have the time, but you just can't stand being wrong and when pushed against a wall with facts you just go straight to making shit up about the fact giver.

I'll be so glad when this militant left shit dies.

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[–] emporercrunch -8 points 5 hours ago

Do you deny Trump is a racist?

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 10 points 4 hours ago

Anyone that has won an Ellis Island award has done more for minorities then me and you both will even put together.

Trump isn't a racist and you know it.

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[–] emporercrunch -2 points 4 hours ago

LMAO. I'm positive he's a racist. I'm more sure he's a racist than the climate change and the earth is round, both things the right also deny.

You're literal FAKE NEWS:

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https://www.apnews.com/afs:Content:2601590439

Trump has been racist his entire life from deny black people housing, which he had to settle for with the Dept of Justice for violating the Fair Housing Act, to calling the Central Park Five guilty even after DNA evidence said otherwise, to pushing Birtherism, to calling Mexicans rapist, to saying a judge couldn't preside over his scam university case because he's Mexican (he's Not), to denying know who David Duke was as a reason for not refuting Duke's support, even though there's tape of him talking about Duke, to pardoning #1 racist Sheriff in America Joe Arpio spitting in the face of American justice.

TRUMP IS A RACIST. I'm 1000% positive, to deny it is the height of ignorance or propaganda.

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 3 points 4 hours ago

Jesus, you are not trying to debate just spew shit.

I mean you opened your statement with the right denies the earth is round?

Didn't read past that. Get some help.

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[–] emporercrunch 0 points 4 hours ago

>Didn't read

lmao, this is such a common reply from the right. It's like information is Cancer to you people.

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[–] CsMcG 6 points 4 hours ago

How about you prove Trump is a racist since you're making the claim. He's probably just as racist as Mitt Romney was when Biden said "He's going to put y'all back in chains." You've been had by your thought masters. It doesn't matter who the republicans nominate. They'll be cast as a racist, sexist, everythingist by the left and their propagandists across the media. If Trump is a racist, what action has he taken to stifle the progress of other races?

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[–] patientbearr -7 points 5 hours ago

here's Gary Cohn asking a room full of CEOs how many of them planned to hire more workers because of the tax bill

"FaIrLy WeLl KnOwN aMoNg EcOnOmIsTs"

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[–] needtopass00 16 points 6 hours ago

Lowering corporate tax rates.

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[–] emporercrunch -6 points 6 hours ago

Please let that be the hill Republicans die on, lmao.

http://fortune.com/2019/01/28/trump-tax-reform-hiring-investment/

https://thehill.com/opinion/finance/383045-wage-growth-well-short-of-what-was-promised-from-tax-reform

And even for the minor gains from that were easily wiped out by plummeting 401ks thanks to the trade war and rising health care costs thanks to his gutting of the ACA.

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[–] cucumber-bash -29 points 7 hours ago

So which part of 9 do you actually list the policies/actions that you think caused each of these?

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[–] lalicat 35 points 5 hours ago

At which part of, you got an answer and tried to move the goal post do you actually take his penis out of your mouth? He pretty much mouth fucked you in public here and I'm embarrassed for you. It was gross to watch. Delete your comment.

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[–] thewookie34 -7 points 4 hours ago

The only embarrassment is you my friend. Asking for evidence of why something is happening is only an embarrassment if you can't back up your claims and in place of actually doing it you sure showed the maturely of T_D mods. Why don't you go back to pinning more posts wishing the judge on Surpreme court judges rather then wasting your time making threats to random people on the internet. You have no power here fuck boy. This isn't your echo chamber.

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[–] Odd_Extent 6 points 2 hours ago

Jesus christ cry harder.

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[–] thewookie34 -1 points 2 hours ago

Oh look the side of baby diapers has come to cry to me about me talking down to his idol mod.

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[–] Odd_Extent 2 points an hour ago

I literally don't even know what youre talking about, I just saw that the poster proved a point and all you guys can do is cry that they had a point, as they say "move the goal post". Just own it, America is a better place aside from the whiney lib trans population that want America to fail, despite living here.

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[–] thewookie34 0 points an hour ago

Look at the T_Der defend his mod crying. He never had a point you are just fucking delusional. Get a hobby. Go outside. Graduate Middle school and come talk to me.

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[–] TheJadedSF -29 points 8 hours ago

I don't think the credit is due to Trump or his admin. for many of these.

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[–] Fappy_Go_Lucky 18 points 7 hours ago

Talk about Jaded

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 6 points 5 hours ago

ok - clearly its all due to gay mulatto... moron...

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[–] TheJadedSF 0 points 5 hours ago

Looking at all your comments on this thread... it's no wonder why you never amounted to anything.

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[–] 4nurh86qn7ekybdd 1 point 4 hours ago

aww.. personal attacks. here's one - since you progressive cultists are so keen on abortion, why don't you engage in a really late term abortion - i'd recommend slitting your wrists.

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[–] flowerdeliveryboy -34 points 7 hours ago

How did Trump *do* any of these things, though? You're just stating facts that coincidentally correlate time-wise without actually answering the question.

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[–] lucidvein 39 points 7 hours ago

>/9)

By enacting policies.

Reducing corporate taxes from 35% to 21% makes it easier to hire people which explains the unemployment figures while increasing optimism for the business climate in general because you have to give less away to the government. Bringing back manufacturing jobs was also accomplished by penalizing out of country manufacturing, etc.

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[–] patientbearr -4 points 5 hours ago

> Reducing corporate taxes from 35% to 21% makes it easier to hire people which explains the unemployment figures

- Unemployment has been dropping steadily since 2010
- Most companies used the extra money to buy back stock.

Here's Trump's former economic advisor Gary Cohn asking a room full of business owners how many of them planned to hire more people because of the tax break. Let's just say he was surprised by the response.

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[–] ZHammerhead71 1 point 4 hours ago

You don't hire until you have an actionable plan. The impact of tax cuts will take approximately 2 years to fairly judge because of how the business cycle operates. Funding moves in fiscal quarters.

6 months of idea forming. 6 months of plan building. 6 months to produce. 6 months to measure. Rinse and repeat.

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[–] RickyMissile 12 points 7 hours ago

The economy is driven by perception. When he was elected confidence skyrocketed and that's why we have all these amazing economic indicators. The President may not have actually done anything besides speak to make this happen but without him it most likely would not be how it is now. He gave people confidence that policy would be pro business. Great question!

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[–] patientbearr -3 points 5 hours ago

I like how you can click on the post history of anyone regurgitating shit and they all have hundreds of posts in T_D.

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[–] RickyMissile 8 points 5 hours ago

What I said was true. But sorry I can't take your opinion seriously since you have hundreds of post with the Buccaneers. You're obviously just not a serious person.

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[–] patientbearr 4 points 5 hours ago

What you said was what you want to be true.

He's not a fucking wizard.

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[–] RickyMissile 8 points 5 hours ago

"Those jobs just aren't coming back, what magic wand does he have?"

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[–] patientbearr 3 points 5 hours ago

He's right for the most part. I'm sure you can come to a deal to bring some back in the short term but in the long run all of that will be automated where it can be.

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[–] TobiKato 1 point 5 hours ago

Obama said manufacturing jobs are never coming back...and yet here we are. So which one is it? Either Obama is clueless and doesn't know anything or Trump brought all of those new manufacturing jobs back to America? See for yourself.

https://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/news/281936-obama-to-trump-what-magic-wand-do-you-have

https://www.forbes.com/sites/chuckdevore/2018/10/16/the-trump-manufacturing-jobs-boom-10-times-obamas-over-21-months/#631353b35850

I'm sorry if this makes you reeeeee because it goes against your programming.

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[–] **mrup7935** **6 points** 5 hours ago

Lower taxes and deregulation is why the economy is surging, the stock market has record number of highs

Record low unemployment, 3-4% gdp and thats with all the FED interest rate increases

Obama had few FED interest rate increases and still had stagnant economy, can't remember but Obama didnt get above like 2% gdp growth

They said Trump couldn't get above 3%gdp

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[–] **patientbearr** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

Unemployment has been dropping and the stock market rising since 2010.

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[–] **manolo88** **-38 points** 8 hours ago

>4 million new jobs have been created since the election, and more than 3.5 million since Trump took office.

Why does Trump get credit for jobs being created since his election? And what has he done for the job growth in 2017. The tax bill he passed went into effect in 2018 didn't it?

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[–] **jumpifnotzero** **59 points** 8 hours ago

> Why does Trump get credit for jobs being created since his election? And what has he done for the job growth in 2017? The tax bill he passed went into effect in 2018 didn't it?

I'm pretty sure there is video of out-going Obama being extremely dismissive that we would see 3.0% GDP for decades. Mocking Trump saying he would need a magic wand.

So... If you're intent is to say Trump couldn't have done nuffin for the economy - how would "the real architect" of finance not have been able to see our 3%+ GDP coming?

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[–] **Goasupreme** **10 points** 6 hours ago

Yo, can we borrow your country's magic wand sometime ?

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[–] **manolo88** **-4 points** 8 hours ago

It's not my intent to say Trump couldn't have done "nuffin" for the economy. It's my intent to say that the economy is a lot more complex than what the above poster is saying. The economy had been adding thousands of jobs and has been going through a continued improvement since 2010 or so. 2016's and 2017's job growth was more or less on par with that continued climb. Trump's economic tax plan didn't go into effect until 2018.

So while job growth has occurred under Trump and he does deserve credit to an extent, I don't think it is right to attribute all job growth from November 8, 2016 and on to Trump without mentioning the continued improvement in the econom under the prior administration.

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[–] **jumpifnotzero** **11 points** 8 hours ago

I don't disagree mostly.

The issue is the media and reddit like to claim that Trump did nuffin, and this all from Obama - who clearly had no idea any of this was coming.

It is complex, but if you watched election night, the entire media was talking about tanking Asian markets. When US markets opened, rallied. Businesses and investors feel more confident under Trump - despite the media.

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[–] **FLcentipede** **9 points** 7 hours ago

Deregulation led to more new jobs than even the tax cuts, and that started his first day.

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[–] **mrup7935** **2 points** 5 hours ago

I hear what your saying but the job creators are also looking ahead to plan things out, when they know taxes are gonna be more favorable in the future, it helps with current investments/expansions

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[–] **manolo88** **2 points** 4 hours ago

I can agree with that.

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[–] computeraddict 32 points 8 hours ago

Anticipation of future profits drives present investment.

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[–] manolo88 -10 points 8 hours ago

But jobs being created in 2016 is on par with the economic growth under President Obama. So what makes you think the growth was due to "future anticipation of profits" and not continued growth under President Obama. Also, even if it was because of future anticipation of profits, what makes you think that anticipation was caused solely because of Trump's election?

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[–] ObjectiveResolution 9 points 8 hours ago

Run a trend line on the stock market for the last two years under Obama up to election day and then run another trend line from election day to today and you will see the marked jump in the stock market beginning precisely with the election of President Trump.

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[–] MrStabby514 3 points 8 hours ago

My thinking is that job growth under Obama would change based on what businesses project for the coming year. Surely if they thought the next president, and next year, were going to be harmful to their profits they wouldn't have continued to expand.

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[–] manolo88 -2 points 8 hours ago

I understand this reasoning, and it makes sense to an extent. With that said, the job growth in 2016 and 2017 is still on par with continued growth under Obama, so what makes the above poster so sure it is solely because of Trump's election, and anticipated profits under Trump, and not because of continued growth under Obama's administration? Especially since Trump's tax plan did not go into affect until 2018?

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[–] Colonel_Chestbridge1 3 points 7 hours ago

Obama created lots of part time, low paying jobs by government bailouts and subsidies. Lots of people actually gave up on looking for work during Obama’s presidency.

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[–] computeraddict 2 points 8 hours ago

> jobs being created in 2016 is on par with the economic growth under President Obama

I would hope so, as Obama was in office for 2016? Why are you presenting a tautology like it's a revelation?

> So what makes you think the growth was due to "future anticipation of profits" and not continued growth under President Obama.

I don't understand what you're referencing here.

> what makes you think that anticipation was caused solely because of Trump's election?

Because he campaigned on corporate tax reform and reduction of regulation. Those things lower costs for businesses, which boost profits.

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[–] manolo88 1 point 7 hours ago

>I would hope so, as Obama was in office for 2016? Why are you presenting a tautology like it's a revelation?

Because OP was attributing the job growth in 2016 as something good Trump himself has done, which didn't make sense to me, as he was not President during this time.

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Lets say for argument's sake, the job growth was a result of "future anticipation of profits". What makes the above poster so sure that this future anticipation for profits was solely due to Trump's election and not other reasons or factors? Like, for example, future anticipation for profits because the economy is doing well? Or future anticipation of profits because there was a demand they wanted to fill etc. What makes the above poster so sure it was something Trump had done, and not anything else?

>Because he campaigned on corporate tax reform and reduction of regulation. Those things lower costs for businesses, which boost profits.

I understand that, and I can agree to an extent, but this still doesn't answer how Trump solely gets the credit for job growths prior to his presidency when the economy had been doing well and adding thousands of jobs at that point.

My point in these questions was that I think it is a bit silly to attribute job growth solely to Trump and his future promises when the economy had been improving and adding thousands of jobs prior to his election at a similar pace.

I'm not taking anything away from him, as I do think he gets credit for job growth during his Presidency. I'm just saying the economy is a lot more complex than "job has grown since guy got elected so he gets all the credit".

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[–] computeraddict 0 points 7 hours ago

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If you read back, the only part of 2016 being talked about was after the election.

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[–] WildBeast737 1 point 8 hours ago

I'd argue it was due to future anticipation of profits and not under Obama because they had 8 years for growth and didn't decide to do anything until Trump was elected. Of course I'm not an economic expert.

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[–] AdultClown -54 points 13 hours ago

Sources?

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[–] Useful_Vidiots 110 points 10 hours ago

Here you go, if you can get your head out of the sand long enough to read.

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/washington-secrets/trumps-list-289-accomplishments-in-just-20-months-relentless-promise-keeping

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[–] loganro 76 points 9 hours ago

Sorry he doesn't read anything unless it comes from salon or shariablue

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[–] Granoland (deleted by user) -2 points 9 hours ago

Really, dude. You're giving him shit for wanting to verify? Do you not know how the internet works? Nobody should be accepting whatever they read online just because. Come on, that's elementary.

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[–] MAGAtek 31 points 9 hours ago

Excuse me? Did you just assume their gender?

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[–] Joxxill -15 points 8 hours ago

He just asked for sources. Why do you immediately go on the offensive?

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[–] xjohnmcclanex 14 points 6 hours ago

Because it's disingenuous. Not really looking for sources, just trying to get people to waste time and post to create fatigue. It's a tried and true tactic of people looking to oppress ideas.

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[–] DarkManX437 -1 points 5 hours ago

Bullshit. This person posted a plethora of information and the commenter simply was asking "where exactly did you get all of this information?" There's nothing wrong with fact checking.

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[–] xjohnmcclanex 8 points 4 hours ago

Of course not. But that's not what's happening here. Just asking "source" for that much information is not trying to fact check anything

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[–] Joxxill -2 points 4 hours ago

It is! dude. burden of proof lies with OP not the guy asking for sources. I get your point, and i don't know this guy, for all i know, he could be a manipulative asshole. But i'm not gonna go straight to that assumption just because he asked for sources.

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[–] 66903972 3 points 3 hours ago

Wrong:

The genetic fallacy (also known as the fallacy of origins or fallacy of virtue[1]) is a fallacy of irrelevance that is based solely on someone's or something's history, origin, or source rather than its current meaning or context. This overlooks any difference to be found in the present situation, typically transferring the positive or negative esteem from the earlier context. In other words, a fact is ignored in favor of attacking its source.

The fallacy therefore fails to assess the claim on its merit. The first criterion of a good argument is that the premises must have bearing on the truth or falsity of the claim in question.[2] Genetic accounts of an issue may be true, and they may help illuminate the reasons why the issue has assumed its present form, but they are not conclusive in determining its merits.[3]

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[–] 66903972 3 points 3 hours ago

You are bullshit. It's called a genetic fallacy and there is plenty wrong deploying it vs contending with the argument itself. This is why college students feel like unprepared for life, because you are.

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[–] DarkManX437 1 point 3 hours ago

>In other words, a fact is ignored in favor of attacking its source.

But that's not quite what's happening here now is it? Nobody was attacking or attempting to delegitimize the source in question, the comment was simply asking where the information came from in the first place. You've misused the application of the fallacy. If someone said "OH but the website that collected and posted these facts are obviously biased in favor of Trump, so this list is completely invalid" then yeah, you'd have a point.

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[–] 66903972 4 points 3 hours ago

Because he committed an elementary fallacy, that's why. We are tired of the left deploying childish emotion instead of really contending with actual, well defined, positions.

Because your gender studies class didn't teach you this:

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[–] TyrannorektusRex 3 points 5 hours ago

When was the time someone said "I doubt that, give me sources!" and then are provided a source and they say "Nice, very good, interesting. You've changed my mind sir!"

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[–] Joxxill 0 points 4 hours ago

If you want a specific example, you know i can't give you that. But i've seen that several times on here. Yeah, there are a lot of idiots, but we can't just assume people meant the worst.

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[–] Charmeleonn 1 point 8 hours ago

Yeah that was uncalled for wtf

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[–] jello_sweaters (deleted by user) -57 points 9 hours ago

What's been bugging me about this since you posted it is that it's a list of things that have happened while Donald Trump has been in office, not a list of things Donald Trump has *done*, and so far I'm not seeing a lot of change or improvement over four years ago.

Just to take a few of your examples:

>4.2 percent growth in the second quarter of 2018

It's weird to cherry-pick one out of 8 quarters, unless you're picking an outlier from an average that's little different from the last guy's.

If you want to give Obama greater credit for 5.1% growth in Q2 2014, then fair enough, Trump almost measures up.

>4 million new jobs have been created since the election, and more than 3.5 million since Trump took office.

So that's now 100 straight months of constant job growth.

4 million jobs in 2 years puts him right on pace with the 2 million new jobs in each of 2013-14-15. I don't think either Obama or Trump gets credit for this; Presidents don't create jobs, companies do, but either way you look at it, the current numbers are nothing new.

>More Americans are employed now than ever before in our history.

There are now more Americans than ever before in our history.

>The economy has achieved the longest positive job-growth streak on record.

Again, this is continuing a streak that's been going unbroken for nearly a decade now.

>Blue-collar jobs recently grew at the fastest rate in more than three decades.

Considering that we've already established that the job-creation rate hasn't increased, the other takeaway from this is that an increase in manufacturing and labor jobs means we're adding relatively fewer professional and highly-skilled jobs.

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[–] Peffico 20 points 8 hours ago

Hello Jello Sweaters, you bring up a very valid point with jobs being created consistently over the last 6 or so years. And this is very true, but I think what a lot of consveratives are happy over, is the percentage of joblessness going down. Meaning more people are retaining their jobs.

http://www.ncsl.org/research/labor-and-employment/national-employment-monthly-update.aspx

Not saying Trump takes the credit, but the rate of unemployement corrilates to when the Republicans took control of the house in 2012, and even more when the republicans controlled all of congress in 2014.

I am also curious as to what you think qualifys as "professional and highly-skilled jobs"

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[–] jello_sweaters -5 points 7 hours ago

Well first of all, it's not "Conservatives" that are happy when the unemployment rate goes down, it's "Everybody". We all want that result.

As far as correlation goes, that requires careful analysis of how things actually relate to each other. For example, here's an analysis that shows a high degree of correlation between the number of films Nicholas Cage releases in a year, and the number of people who drown in swimming pools.

I'm a small-business owner. I hire more people when I have more projects coming in the door, fewer people when the work slows down. It's certainly reasonable to feel that a political party that cites a pro-business agenda would correlate to business growth, but the question that actually matters is how the legislation that party passes actually drives more customers through the doors of businesses.

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[–] Peffico 5 points 6 hours ago

Precisley we all want results. But saying nic cage and drowning is hubris conpared to the government and jobs. Thats why conservatives are happy they get to take the credit. But i digress you never answerd what you think high quality jobs are.

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[–] jello_sweaters -2 points 6 hours ago

Republicans will take credit for something even if their actions directly harmed it, so I'm not sure of your point there.

I never mentioned "high quality jobs", only "highly skilled jobs" in reference to an earlier post trumpeting the increased rate of hiring in blue-collar jobs. That term wasn't defined either, but generally it refers to jobs in manufacturing, labor, construction and trades, as opposed to white-collar/professional jobs like accounting, law, engineering, high-tech and finance.

There are certainly highly-skilled individuals working trades (I'm one of them) and plenty of unskilled bank tellers wearing white collars, but as general terms that's traditionally been the divide.

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[–] Peffico 2 points 5 hours ago

Well first thats kinda lame that you think republicans are like that,

Ok I think I see where we are disagreeing you say that the repiblicans didnt do anything to affect the job market. But Im confused because you said "harmed" which implies it hurt it. So Im going to assume you mean affect.

So heres a list (not a complete one you can google that yourself) of some of the legislations that were started by republicans and eventually were signed into law.

Workforce and innovation oppurtunity act (2012)

Middle class tax relief and job oppurtunity act (2012)

Jumpstart our business and startup act. I like this one because you said you were a small business owner.

Tax cut and oppurtunity act (2017)

Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act (2018).

I highly recommend you look at these especially since we both agree that the presodent doesnt have mich of an effect on jobs as people would think to believe.

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[–] jello_sweaters 1 point 5 hours ago

> Well first thats kinda lame that you think republicans are like that

Trust me, I'm no happier about it than you are.

I don't mean to imply that Republicans have actively harmed the job market, simply that in recent years it has been their habit to claim that any positive outcome was solely due to their intervention, and any negative outcome was proof of Democratic failure.

To be clear - I don't think *any* President directly creates or destroys jobs. It's equally accurate to say that Trump and Obama aren't the key driving force behind the economies over which each presided, as it is to point out that any President would have seen much the same results Bill Clinton did, while presiding over the dot-com boom in the 1990s.

But this whole discussion came from another user claiming all sorts of economic success is "the good Donald Trump has done", when there's little to no causative evidence that he is responsible.

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[–] Peffico 1 point 5 hours ago

Well I mean the democrats had full control of the house from 2006-2012 and the unemployment rate was at 10% in 2008. So yeah they did kind of fail at protecting the job market.

And yes it was about Trump but I believe I found a better conversation about jobs with you.

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[–] jello_sweaters 1 point 4 hours ago

When talking about results of any particular policy, I think that comes down to two questions: first, what the lag time is between a given input (say, a piece of legislation) and the output it affects (say, an increase or decrease in unemployment), and second, who owns responsibility for any particular policy.

On the lag-time question, for example, it would be difficult to give Obama credit or blame for much that happened in February 2009, as he and his staff were pretty much still finding out where the paperclips were kept in the White House. By 2015, however, he'd certainly been around long enough to have whatever effects he was going to have, for good or ill.

On the question of ownership, it's hard to get a neutral read on it. For example, if a bill passes the House and Senate strictly along party lines, then whatever results can be measured seem pretty cut-and-dried.

However, if a measure passes 357-66 and 98-1 (Patriot Act Pt. 1), both parties have pretty well hung their hats on it.

To what degree does responsibility fall with the President, rather than with Congress, or vice versa?

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[–] **Disney_Reference** **11 points** 9 hours ago

Trained tigers can jump through multiple hoops.

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[–] **Radjomb** **-74 points** 7 hours ago

Lmao, think about how white trash you would have to be to believe any of this shit!

Trump is, by all objective measures, one of the worst presidents in US history. Clearly he has emboldened low value white males, white trash, and autists. Beyond that, he's a complete failure of a man.

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **51 points** 7 hours ago

r/copingwithtds

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[–] **BakkenMan** **33 points** 7 hours ago

What is there to believe? What he wrote was factual. To think what kind of gutter person refuses to believe facts.

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[–] **Forward-Unto-Don** **24 points** 7 hours ago

Yikes. You’re racism and bigotry are pretty alarming.

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[–] **Radjomb** **-14 points** 7 hours ago

I care about free speech over pathetic white male feelings. What about you?

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[–] **caesarfecit** **13 points** 6 hours ago

Nobody is saying you're not allowed to say that, just it's pretty blatantly racist.

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[–] **IamUltimatelyWin** **9 points** 6 hours ago

You like free speech? Try these ones on. Admit it. You don't want this white male to be able to say this, or believe it, do you?

Transsexuals have a mental disorder.

Abortion is baby murder.

There are only two genders.

Illegal immigrants are criminals.

Capitalism is vastly superior to socialism.

Islam is a violent religion.

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[–] **Radjomb** **-5 points** 6 hours ago

Conservative whites are the most likely group to commit domestic terrorism.

Southern US states are worthless to the country, and are largely considered globally backwards.

80% of US GDP comes from liberal metro areas.

Conservative white males commit suicide at the highest rates of any demographic (lol).

Christianity is statistically more violent than Islam. Catholic priests are almost all rapists.

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[–] **IamUltimatelyWin** **7 points** 6 hours ago

I see you are incapable of answering a question.

I also think you are a very hateful person.

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[–] **TheRespectedMan** **6 points** 5 hours ago

I had no idea Anitfa were conservative whites.

You really shouldn't call the southern states, some of which are majority african american populated in most of their counties, backwards shitholes.

Need your sources on your claims that conservative white suicide rate is over 40%

Need your sources on christians declaring crusades and beheading those who oppose them.

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[–] Radjomb -2 points 5 hours ago

Lmao, I love how triggered you're getting over facts!

Truth is, conservative white males are absolutely worthless to modern society.

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[–] TheRespectedMan 6 points 5 hours ago

You're good at making white people angry, good bait. But unfortunately for you i'm an arab from Lebanon. you = cucked. Oh and i want you to know, here in Lebanon we exiled the leftists to France/Tunisia as they caused a civil war and total social collapse in Lebanon. We're still a backward shithole though, damage is done. Don't want the same to happen to the United States but hey, i guess we can't stop destiny huh?

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[–] ThePickoftheDay 3 points 5 hours ago

I'm gonna need sources for that

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 17 points 6 hours ago

Good to see the racist left shining here

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[–] DrPepperlife 15 points 7 hours ago

Racist much? Imagine someone calling someone "black trash"

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[–] Radjomb -9 points 6 hours ago

Better than what is used on TD on daily basis.

I find it hilarious that conservative white hicks are so fragile when "mean words" are used against them. Just look at TD right now, the front page is literally "omg liberuls said X, conservative males are victims!"

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[–] kelsoATX 14 points 6 hours ago

You're clearly obsessed with white males. Did one fuck your girlfriend or something?

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[–] DrPepperlife 7 points 6 hours ago

Doubt he's had anyone above a 3/10

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[–] wahmifeels 11 points 6 hours ago

Uhm... theres actually a lot of black people on t_d, guess you haven't heard of blexit?

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[–] Radjomb -3 points 6 hours ago

> theres actually a lot of black people on t_d,

LOL. Fuckin' A you hicks are stupid!

T_D is the largest white male safe space on the internet.

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[–] westventures (deleted by user) 1 point 4 hours ago

You've likely never been there or read more than controversial posts. Get a grip. Also you're a racist bitch.

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[–] kelsoATX 10 points 7 hours ago

Who hurt you, boy?

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[–] Dogtopolis_twitch 2 points 5 hours ago

Race doesn't exists, but in your documents with me.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 7 hours ago

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[–] BucNasty92 1 point 3 hours ago

Not only did you only use logical fallacies as your argument and rebut exactly zero of his points but you provided zero counter argument

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[–] Radjomb 1 point 3 hours ago

> I guess making billions is considered a complete failure

Fucking LOL, how stupid are you white trash? Trump was literally handed a ~450million dollar business from his father.

Trump is currently worth less than what he inherited. He's a fucking loser. But hey, he does a damn good job of representing worthless hick populations.

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[–] sweatmilk -77 points 9 hours ago

Aww man this thread made me really sad. I legitimately thought I'd see good things that he's accomplished, but after seeing your huge lists, it's such a shame to see what passes as good.

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[–] ExConBabysitter 51 points 9 hours ago

What special flavor of autism do you have? The market is soaring. China stopped stealing our tech. Farmers are selling Goddamn rice to China. Sweeping criminal justice reform. Real changes for racial equality (not fake sjw "feel good" shit).

No one has ever had these types of successes before and here you are dismissing them.

What the fuck have you done for society, you bottom feeder.

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[–] 45DT 25 points 9 hours ago

The dumb sack of shit you replied to probably doesn’t even pay taxes

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[–] wentworthowl -12 points 9 hours ago

You guys are fucking insufferable

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[–] kornesque 11 points 8 hours ago

lol

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[–] wentworthowl -8 points 8 hours ago

I don't even disagree with the points but all you reddit trumpsters sound like smug 12 year olds who been brought up to be professional brats. Grow up.

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[–] alexsdad87 17 points 8 hours ago

Yes the trump supporters are the smug ones on Reddit...

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[–] wentworthowl -1 points 7 hours ago

Have you read this thread?

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[–] alexsdad87 7 points 7 hours ago

This is one thread dummy. Look at the entire rest of this website. It’s dripping with far left elitists comments and attitudes; and not just from the people who comment. It includes the mods and admins as well.

Since the 2016 democratic primaries, this whole website has been based around making fun and talking down to people on the political right.

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[–] kornesque 9 points 7 hours ago

This is what makes us laugh. Listen, I was guffawing the entire thread watching mental gymnastics I've never witnessed before and your comment just finished me off. The sheer number of facts being discounted is staggering - if you think we are acting like brats I'm sure you can imagine what the folks who want to MAGA think of the left.

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[–] 45DT 5 points 8 hours ago

-doesn’t pay taxes

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[–] wentworthowl 1 point 8 hours ago

Not in America I don't.

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[–] 45DT 13 points 8 hours ago

Not even a US citizen, lmao - opinion discarded

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[–] wentworthowl 0 points 8 hours ago

I'm not American so I can't have an opinion on whether your annoying? You guys are honestly bizarre. Learn to act less like 12 year olds and more like adults.

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[–] **45DT** **2 points** 6 hours ago

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[–] **residue69** **17 points** 9 hours ago

Give them a break, it's their first day on Reddit! /s

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[–] **trollmerealgood** **0 points** 7 hours ago

China stopped stealing our tech? Lol. If you believe that you're retarded. No president is going to stop that from happening. Yes, China has bought a small portion of rice from us as a goodwill gesture. Rice represents a comparatively small amount of agricultural exports next to soybeans which have been crushed by bad orange man's idiotic trade war. Sweeping criminal justice reforms? Lol, where and to what end? Any proof at all? Racial equality? Really really laughable. Any direct evidence of policy on Trump's part towards this?

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **6 points** 5 hours ago

Do you live under a rock?

>If you believe that you're retarded

China to allow victims of IP theft to sue for damages

>China has bought a small portion of rice from us as a goodwill gesture

I think you're completely obvious to how significant this is, considering China is one of the world's largest consumers of rice. This creates growth opportunity, but that seems to be lost on you. This was a huge bending of the knee. This is like the US importing Ford trucks from Iraq.

>soybeans which have been crushed by bad orange man's idiotic trade war

Oh yeah, huge disaster! LULZ. When you plan your day, can you possibly think past breakfast?

>Sweeping criminal justice reforms? Lol, where and to what end?

Uh, First Step Act, anyone? Seriously, do you only get your news from a cereal box or something?

So what's laughable? That you don't have a clue what's going in in the world around you or that you're too blind to concede that maybe, just maybe, some good stuff is happening despite the fact that you really really don't want it to.

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[–] **hangoverDOTTED** **-3 points** 8 hours ago

>China stopped stealing our tech.

HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA!!!!!!!!!!

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **6 points** 8 hours ago

If you think there hasn't been a total overhaul in IP theft, you clearly haven't been paying attention.

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[–] **Svath** **6 points** 9 hours ago

That bar was set by previous administrations. Now any measurable improvement is "GOOD".

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[–] **Br105mbk** **-84 points** 10 hours ago

400k manufacturing jobs added? Bullshit.

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[–] **ChetBenning** **55 points** 9 hours ago

I found this Forbes article which claims 419K manufacturing jobs added since 2017, and a FactCheck article that is more neutral.

https://www.forbes.com/sites/chuckdevore/2019/01/04/312000-jobs-added-in-december-manufacturing-growing-714-faster-under-trump-than-obama/#f18c3375b50e

https://www.factcheck.org/2018/01/manufacturing-jobs-roaring-back/

To be clear, I don't think Trump did a whole lot to specifically encourage this kind of growth (many corps who benefited from tax changes have not used those funds to hire) but there is some basis to the numbers being accurate.

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[–] Htowngetdown 74 points 9 hours ago

Yeah, it must have been a magic wand, or something. Obama told us those jobs weren't coming back □□□

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[–] Shodan30 49 points 9 hours ago

You cannot look at Obama himself saying "those jobs aren't coming back" and give him credit for any of these successes. Obama activity gave up on fixing job growth and bragged about how it was impossible.

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[–] Htowngetdown 38 points 9 hours ago

Exactly. He didn't even try.

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[–] ObjectiveResolution 21 points 8 hours ago

He didn't want it to happen. He wanted as many as possible to be dependent upon government and thus servants to him and his ilk.

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[–] I-Drive-Drunk-LOL 12 points 7 hours ago

Obama was a dirtbag and anyone who still thinks he was a good president at this point is hopelessly brainwashed.

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[–] ChetBenning -12 points 9 hours ago

That was in reference to jobs that were abundant in previous decades and aren't coming back due to automation and outsourcing. Trump was very vague about his proposals during the campaign, and so Obama had this to say:

>"He just says, 'I'm gonna negotiate a better deal.' Well how? How exactly are you going to negotiate that?" Obama said during the town hall portion of the event. "What magic wand do you have? And usually the answer is, he doesn't have an answer."

So if you have a detailed plan that Trump shared ahead of the election, I would like to see it.

Trump would later make hay of this and get many facts wrong in doing so:

https://www.factcheck.org/2018/09/trumps-bungled-twitter-attack-on-obama/

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[–] Htowngetdown 15 points 9 hours ago

Here's the outline of his plan, since you seem to think he just does things randomly and hopes they work.

https://assets.donaldjtrump.com/_landings/contract/O-TRU-102316-Contractv02.pdf

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[–] ChetBenning -5 points 8 hours ago

Well, for starters there is a timeline issue, since the Obama speech was in June 2016, and this contract was published in October 2016. So that doesn't really settle the question of was it fair for 44 to criticize 45 for being vague.

Secondly, while there is some specifics in that plan, there is not much there that I've seen stated as actual policy initiatives that have any real legs.

Third, this contract was for the first 100 days, and many of these promises have not been fulfilled. I can't be bothered to deconstruct this point by point, so I leave it to others to decide for themselves.

From what I think is the relevant portion of your source:

>Middle Class Tax Relief and Simplification Act

>An economic plan designed to grow the economy 4% per year and create at least 25 million new jobs through massive tax reduction and simplification, in combination with trade reform, regulatory relief and lifting the restrictions on American energy. The largest tax reductions are for the middle class. A middle-class family with two children will get a 35% tax cut. The current number of brackets will be reduced from seven to three, and tax forms will likewise be greatly simplified. The business rate will be lowered from 35% to 15%, and the trillions of dollars of American corporate money overseas can now be brought back at a 10% rate

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[–] lalicat 4 points 5 hours ago

Bro, just give up. You've lost. Obama sucked. Trump is punk. Get with the times!

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[–] Cthaehswraith 50 points 9 hours ago

Bullshit cause of what? You don't think he did or cause they haven't? Wanna post something stating they haven't?

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[–] Svath 25 points 9 hours ago

>Bullshit

Care to back up that assertion with literally any evidence? Or was that just a typical emotional outburst from the liberal peanut gallery?

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[–] Br105mbk 0 points 3 hours ago

Sure. I'm a machinist. I worked 11 years at one shop, steel tariffs closed the doors. We shipped everything to Mexico. The next shop I worked at laid off over 20% of their workers from the aluminum tariffs. I was taking the place of 11 people's jobs. When I left they didn't replace me. Machine shops all over the Midwest are super slow right now.

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[–] Svath 5 points 3 hours ago

Well, that in no way disproves US Labor Department's own metrics showing a net increase of 400k manufacturing jobs being added to the labor force. Confused why you thought that anecdote would.

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[–] 1LoneAmerican 8 points 9 hours ago

https://www.politifact.com/west-virginia/statements/2018/sep/06/west-virginia-republican-party/its-largely-accurate-manufacturing-jobs-have-been-/

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[–] bluto36 1 point 8 hours ago

NPC refuses input

output defaults to curse

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[–] holyshytte -93 points 12 hours ago

employment is a result of economic growth which happens anyway in a first world nation regardless of the president. even if a pickle was president we'd still have job growth, and btw working a full time job and still not affording basic neccessity isnt a job.

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[–] Leonbethyname 87 points 10 hours ago

Maybe you should learn to code

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[–] jumpifnotzero 15 points 8 hours ago

Hey man! That's real offensive!

... To those of us that do code. We don't want him.

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[–] DoesNotTreadPolitely 80 points 9 hours ago

TLDR: "Everything that Trump does is bad. Anything that is incontrovertably good would have happened anyway without him." This poor thing must watch CNN.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 42 points 10 hours ago

Except many experts predicted economic catastrophe if Trump got elected. You can’t have it both ways big fella.

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[–] Svath 26 points 9 hours ago

>employment is a result of economic growth which happens anyway in a first world nation regardless of the president

"Economic Illiteracy" The Post

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[–] BANNEDUSER500 21 points 11 hours ago

Wrong.

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[–] deadmeerkat -273 points 14 hours ago

Did you just list things that just come with new employment, and even then employment is expected raise, regardless of the president, wouldn't be too surprised if trump leads to millions of lost jobs from his dull trade wars

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[–] ObjectiveResolution 145 points 8 hours ago

Orange Man Bad!

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[–] ExConBabysitter 117 points 9 hours ago

Heh, put those blinders back on.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 75 points 10 hours ago

And when that doesn’t happen, how will you spin that against Trump?

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[–] TysonButterbean 69 points 14 hours ago

So far the exact opposite has happened.

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[–] Teh_Pwnr77 29 points 9 hours ago

Stage 1. Denial

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[–] booboohoob (deleted by user) -69 points 13 hours ago

Yeah everyone's loving their abundant $8 an hour jobs with no healthcare. Thanks to Donny Inchdick for spending 600 million to disappear a few thousand desperate refugees so all our grandest dreams could be made flesh.

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[–] scroom38 57 points 11 hours ago

In order to give everyone healthcare you'd need to kill all of our current medical insurance companies.

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[–] Dubbdub -1 points 9 hours ago

Why not contract them to run it. Allow the current companies to bid for a defined group of people and then award the money collected by the state to be dispersed and used by that company. They do it for military stuff like aircraft.

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[–] scroom38 8 points 8 hours ago

Thats kind of how its supposed to work. However insurance companies bully distributors and hospitals for their way. They will "cut deals" where a hospital has a $500 procedure. But the insurance company will only pay for 50% of it. So now the hospital needs to charge $1000 for said procedure. But if youre overpricing this procedure already, you might as well charge $1500 for it and make some extra money. It continues like this until the US medical system is so fucked a 3 week vacation to spain plus surgery over there is cheaper than just a US surgery.

The ACA was a failure for a number of reasons, but giving insurance companies more power to play this game was one of them. Now that they had to "bear the load" of sicker people, prices went up again.

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[–] FilthyHipsterScum -26 points 10 hours ago

I'm.... ok with that.

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[–] exoticpulsar 51 points 9 hours ago

Then you'd complain about the millions of jobs that were lost.

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[–] scroom38 10 points 9 hours ago

Both single payer and out of pocket healthcare both work in theory for different reasons. But for either to work, we need to kill the middle men (insurance).

Problem is, they've got deep enough pockets to prevent laws from changing unless an overwhelming majority of the US population rejects them. And the US population is too caught up in democrat vs. republican to care

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[–] ClitNibbler 18 points 8 hours ago

We need to allow the free market to do its work so that innovation and efficiency can thrive. That means getting the government out of healthcare and allowing companies to compete across state lines

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[–] scroom38 9 points 8 hours ago

That's one of the things trump tried to do. Im not 100% why it was stopped/stalled.

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[–] LikeAWombatScorned 1 point 9 hours ago

LOL

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[–] full_time_patriot 43 points 10 hours ago

If you're only making $8 an hour it's time to find a new job... I hear there are plenty of jobs available thanks to Trump

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[–] LikeAWombatScorned 40 points 9 hours ago

Learn to code!

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[–] Svath 33 points 9 hours ago

>Thanks to Donny Inchdick

Why are liberals obsessed with penis?

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[–] MrJkub 19 points 8 hours ago

It's projection.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 23 points 10 hours ago

lol “desperate refugees”

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[–] brazenbologna 21 points 13 hours ago

You sound upset. Do you need a hug?

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[–] ClitNibbler 10 points 8 hours ago

Safe space pls

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[–] booboohoob -5 points 13 hours ago

You look exactly like Don Jr. and were probably beaten just as much by your dad.

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[–] brazenbologna 15 points 12 hours ago

Judging by your emotional instability, you were obviously fucked by yours.

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[–] posticon 4 points 7 hours ago

Immigration is competition for minimum wage jobs.

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[–] azrlmaster -12 points 12 hours ago

But unemployment is down!!

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[–] nBob20 66 points 7 hours ago

>I gave myself gold for $1.99 so my point is valid

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[–] A-Z-1-3 19 points 3 hours ago

Even if someone else gave it to him.. you think your post is valid cause one guy liked it as opposed to the hundreds of downvoted? Good lord.

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[–] BloodyVegan 60 points 9 hours ago

You are a complete fucking moron. Good lord look at this idiot.

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[–] SquidCap 41 points 13 hours ago

He lists EVERYTHING that the administration has done, regardless if it is the EXACT same that Obama or Bush II did.

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[–] TysonButterbean 156 points 13 hours ago

The question wasn’t ‘What good has Trump done that Obama and Bush didn’t do?’ though.

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[–] Teh_Pwnr77 20 points 9 hours ago

You gonna just change the question every time we answer it?

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[–] Daklure 83 points 9 hours ago

It's okay you'll realize sooner or later Trump was the greatest US President of our lifetimes.

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[–] TheBestLightsaber -2 points 7 hours ago

Well depending on how old you are, there's still a lot of time for improvements

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[–] Teh_Pwnr77 -10 points 9 hours ago

Ur one comment up pal

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[–] TysonButterbean 67 points 9 hours ago

Uhm...I don't think you're following, or reading closely. Someone asked 'What good has Trump done?' then PP said 'These things don't count because other presidents did them, too' - he was the one changing the question by adding new criteria asking what Trump has done that others haven't (which isn't the original question).

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[–] Teh_Pwnr77 -22 points 9 hours ago

So 289 separate examples and none of them answer OQ? Sure chief.

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[–] TysonButterbean 50 points 9 hours ago

Record low AA unemployment doesn't work for ya? To each his own!

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[–] BanAssaultChainsaws -13 points 9 hours ago

When you build your whole political party on being a racist, it is hard to care when there are minority groups you are trying to suppress that are actually succeeding. For the Rats to acknowledge the lowest unemployment is for them to admit they are not winning anymore. People like the "Teh_pwnr77" would shit the bed if they found that Trump finally brought world peace because Globalists and Rats don't want world peace.

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[–] trapsinplace 31 points 8 hours ago

If the Republican Party is racist they are the worst racists in the history of racism. There's a reason more and more minorities are polling toward republicans > democrats. It's not nearly a majority, but it's shifting faster and faster the longer trumps been in office.

There has to be a reason for it. If republicans are so openly racist and their entire party is in on it and part of it, why would minorities be making the move to support republicans now more than ever?

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[–] jello_sweaters -11 points 12 hours ago

It's fair to filter out the things that any President of any party would have done, though.

For example, many presidents would have made different decisions about the US Embassy in Israel, but standardizing record-keeping formats between DoD and VA is not something for any President to hold up as a policy win.

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[–] Rasterblath 46 points 9 hours ago

You're correct it is fair to filter out things that someone like Obama would have done.

So given that the economy was documented as stagnant and virtually every economic indicator has **statistically significant** growth which is timed precisely with Trumps election is very **fair** to list all of these things.

https://www.cnbc.com/video/2018/09/10/ceas-kevin-hassett-discusses-economy.html

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[–] jello_sweaters -12 points 9 hours ago

Sure, then the discussion turns to whether or not that would have happened under somebody else.

For example, much is made of the economic growth seen under Bill Clinton, but does anybody honestly think the dot-com boom wouldn't have happened under a Republican President?

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[–] Rasterblath 15 points 9 hours ago

No.

If you read my comment and my source I have **already** addressed that.

That's what statistically significant means.

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[–] jello_sweaters -7 points 9 hours ago

That video won't load for me, if you've got a text source I'm happy to read it.

...but "timed precisely" is an indicator of strong correlation, not causation.

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[–] Rasterblath 16 points 9 hours ago

Ok. We don't even need the video.

Give me a different event happening in early November 2016 which would correlate with exceedingly rapid economic growth then.

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[–] saneromeo 1 point 6 hours ago

Well it could be merely that Obama was leaving, might have happened with any replacement, I don't think so but is possible.

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[–] Rasterblath 2 points 6 hours ago

If you want to make the correlation argument that's not horrible but you could then make the same argument about Bush to give Obama no credit at all.....

In addition most people here won't do that because that destroys their whole "this is still Obama's economy" narrative. Which under all the nonsense is why they are crying here.

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[–] **jello_sweaters** **1 point** 5 hours ago

>you could then make the same argument about Bush to give Obama no credit at all

That would be perfectly reasonable.

...UNLESS you then provide evidence of a cause-and-effect relationship between actions either one took to affect the situation.

For example, both Bush and Obama passed economic-stimulus packages, the direct results of which are fairly straightforward to measure.

"People felt better about the economy" does not hold up to the same qualitative or quantitative scrutiny.

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[–] **jello_sweaters** **0 points** 9 hours ago

>Don't waste everyone's time with this "it can be argued" bs.

This deep in the thread there's a good chance you and I are the only ones here.

I use "it can be argued" as a way of keeping things relatively neutral. As far as a counter argument, you're the one making the assertion and the burden of proof is entirely upon you.

If you're not a fan, I can rephrase: you're full of it.

You're responding to an argument about another user's laundry list of "achievements" that can more accurately be described as "things that happened at the same time, with little or no evidence linking cause and effect".

More to the point, the most shining among these events are a series of trends that continue on pace from the middle of the Obama years. My particular favorite is the one about setting a record for the longest streak of job growth, when said streak is now 24 months of Trump maintaining Obama's 70 months or more.

Coming back to your own post, your "source" is a Trump spokesman presenting a curated list of graphs designed to promote the President's agenda. Not the most even-handed assessment.

So, yeah, not finding you terribly credible.

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[–] **Rasterblath** **5 points** 8 hours ago

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Upvotes say otherwise.

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Bullshit. You used it to try and move the conversation away from a point you disagreed with but have no counter argument for.

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Proof which I provided and you have yet looked at or addressed 3 replies in.

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> More to the point, the most shining among these events are a series of trends that continue on pace from the middle of the Obama years.

Incorrect. It's that simple. It's why you changed your statements from 3 times so far from "Natural progression" to "correlation is not causality" to now some sort of "progression" that simply had zero history of progressing through most of 2016.

Furthermore you have provided this information without a source.

>My particular favorite is the one about setting a record for the longest streak of job growth, when said streak is now 24 months of Trump maintaining Obama's 70 months or more.

Ok? Address the original poster on that point directly and then you can go point by point on the rest since suddenly you're interested in this kind of detail.

I'm happy to argue the big picture because I have shown the statistically significant evidence.

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And his source is math and statistics. Please go ahead and explain how those are not even-handed. I got all day to wait on this one.

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The guy who tried to change the subject from "there's statistically significant evidence" to "well, it can be argued but I don't think it's necessary to provide even a counter argument" thinks that I'm not credible.

Yeah, I'm really going to lose sleep over that.....

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[–] jello_sweaters 1 point 8 hours ago

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Your sole source is Trump's spokesman. Your argument is solely "this is true because we say it is, and that proves it's true".

I haven't changed the subject once, not one bit, I have yet to say anything beyond "correlation does not equal causation" because you've yet to offer anything that steps beyond that immutable fact.

You, and the poster you're backing up, have listed a series of co-incident events with absolutely no evidence of any relationship between them beyond pointing at a calendar and shrieking "SEE?".

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By this point the judge would be rubbing her temples and sighing every time you speak.

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[–] Rasterblath 3 points 7 hours ago

Yeah this is the typical context change and deflection you see the lefties you'll all over this place. Expected something like this once it was obvious how garbage your statements were.

I post mathematical evidence and your comeback is the same it's been the entire time "you're wrong because I say so".

You're blocked. If you want to provide any claims with sourcing or reasonable logic at all go respond elsewhere in the thread.

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[–] TheBestLightsaber 2 points 7 hours ago

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#1 These "dramatically upward trends" start in November of 2016, before Trump entered office, so he didn't actually *do* anything it was people's expectations

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#3 A lot of what's shown is already on an upward trend, so saying that it's "dramatically higher" than the extrapolated trend is just guessing

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He got elected. So in that sense he did something. The psychological effect of course is important here. I think a lot of smart people underestimate psychological effects on the economy.

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See above.

>#3 A lot of what's shown is already on an upward trend, so saying that it's "dramatically higher" than the extrapolated trend is just guessing

I'll trust the guy who is smarter than me. This AGAIN is where "statistically significant" comes in. This is a mathematically measurable and documented difference.

>#4 The fact that it's a WH spokesperson shouldn't be ignored since the WH in general uses everything from hyperbole to straight up lies to make it seem like everything is amazing and fantastic. I'm not saying everything is a lie all of the time but it does happen

Right and that's perfectly fine, but once you say "I'm going to discount this persons opinion of math." Then in the context of a debate or

discussion it's fair to present a counter argument and evidence, instead I got a troll level reply designed to waste my time.

>#5 Breaking the conversation and blaming "typical lefties" is not good for your argument. You both have valid points on this

It's good for my time and the value of my opinions. My argument speaks for itself. I encounter this in politics discussion on Reddit all the time. Without going into a greater discussion on whether it's right or wrong to do that it is almost certainly a better option to block that kind of behavior.

You'll just have to trust me when I say there are those on the left on Reddit who think it's better to troll and engage in lengthy and useless 1 on 1 conversations in order to isolate my opinion and those like mine.

And just to be clear while I addressed all of his points he responded to less than half of mine without ever sourcing a single argument. His last argument about Obama made zero sense in terms of economic trends.

It's also very fair for me to say his points were much **less** valid considering they constantly shifted and were provided continually without sources.

His comments and replies were an almost textbook example of the trolling from the left I often experience which (if you have seen it in the amounts I have) I am comfortable saying is purposely designed to waste my time.

1. He attempted to change the conversation context to something away from the topic at hand in order to obfuscate the topic. I was smart enough to call him out immediately.
2. Refused to address several of my points because he had no answer.
3. Took comments like my one about upvotes and turned it around into a popularity discussion which was not the context or topic. Again designed to create an argument out of nothing.
4. Made a mistake in admitting he thought the conversation was 1 on 1. Setting off all kinds of alarm bells in terms of what he was really looking to accomplish.

In that context the last comment provided again without sourcing and attempting to extend useless arguments about things which didn't matter was an obvious attempt at wasting my time and completely deserving of a block.

If you are attempting to see both of our points then why not call him out on that.

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[–] **jello_sweaters** **1 point** 5 hours ago

I'm fascinated by what you thought were my various arguments, when I simply kept saying "correlation is not causation" and refusing your highly partisan source.

"opinion of math" doesn't enter into it. I have said repeatedly that the President's spokesperson - and I'll clarify here that that's equally true of any President's spokesperson - is paid to advocate for the President's agenda, and will therefore present only the math that makes the President look good.

It's telling that my questioning Trump makes you automatically assume I'm a "lefty".

You're trying to back up a razor-thin connection with what amounts to a partisan press release. If you can't handle people questioning that, then I guess anyone who doesn't agree with you on everything all the time must be a leftist troll.

How sad.

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[–] **jello_sweaters** **1 point** 7 hours ago

You posted no math. Go ahead and run.

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[–] **scoop_loop88** **2 points** 7 hours ago

You just got owned dude

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[–] **Apolloh3** **2 points** 7 hours ago

True lol.

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[–] jello_sweaters 0 points 7 hours ago

By the dude who ran away crying, and blocked all future communication, when I correctly rejected his only source for the farce that it is?

The dude who assumed that anyone who questions anything a Trump spokesman says must be a "lefty"?

Yawn.

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[–] scoop_loop88 2 points 6 hours ago

Rationalize it however you want

Doesn't change the fact that your argument is lacking

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[–] jello_sweaters -1 points 6 hours ago

If you find "provide unbiased evidence" to be lacking, then you're truly lost.

There's nothing to rationalize. I called the guy out on a weak source and he panicked and fled.

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[–] Apolloh3 1 point 3 hours ago

And going and going and going and going

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[–] RumAndGames -19 points 11 hours ago

So wait, are you claiming that Trump personally grew the economy in 2018?

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[–] a-orzie 35 points 10 hours ago

The trump administration aided in growing the economy.

Yes

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[–] RumAndGames -4 points 10 hours ago

Then list policies. Talk about the tax cut. Get more specific on deregulation and impacts. "The Trump administration grew the economy" isn't analysis, it's just cheerleading based on correlations. That's the criticism I'm getting at here.

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[–] SquidCap -35 points 13 hours ago

That is implied. If you actually, honestly thought that this is about ANY good thing that has happened under Trump, regardless of his influence on the matter... yeah, you knew what this was about but instead decided to list EVERYTHING in the hopes that the people who want to believe, will not even really look at it, just notice that it is LONG.. It is an attempt to skew the view to be biased towards Trump and is not an attempt to answer the question truthfully.

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[–] TysonButterbean 49 points 11 hours ago

r/copingwithtds

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[–] Glorious_Jo 33 points 13 hours ago

Hey, man. Take a break from twitter, and just breath. You're freaking out about implications that were never implied and leaving long winded comments accusing others of being Trump shills. Watch some TV or draw something.

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[–] TysonButterbean 32 points 13 hours ago

This. Thanks.

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[–] betelgeuse7 (deleted by user) -7 points 12 hours ago

> accusing others of being Trump shills.

But he is a trump shill. Look at his post history. All over T_D.

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[–] TysonButterbean 38 points 11 hours ago

Very surprised to hear that a Trump supporter posts on T_D - you’re like a modern day Woodward & Bernstein with your sneaky stalky post combing! ;)

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[–] betelgeuse7 (deleted by user) -5 points 11 hours ago

Yeah, looking at the first page or two of someone's post history.... very 'sneaky stalky post combing'. Not to mention it's right at the top of your list of active subreddits as well. Took me hours to uncover it!

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[–] TysonButterbean 44 points 10 hours ago

Yeah, you like to creep around in other people's post histories, 'see what they're all about'? Sounds healthy! "Alert the authorities! A person who is posting Trump's accomplishments also posts on T_D! I found it when I went through their post history!" 90% of the time I do the same in response to these 'alerts' I find out the person posts often in r/Zelda or r/Pokeyman25yearoldVirgins or some shit, so what does that say?

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[–] MrJkub 7 points 9 hours ago

His system Crashed and took his comments with him.

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[–] TyrannorektusRex 7 points 8 hours ago

I've had this guy RES tagged for quite some time for being a nutjob.

You should see his comments on gun control for a laugh.

https://www.reddit.com/r/news/comments/8pp7wq/florida_stopped_doing_gun_permit_checks_for_more/e0dmlwz/

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[–] TysonButterbean 26 points 8 hours ago

I'm really not into going into people's post histories, as I just did - it never even occurs to me to do so. But lately the 'you post on T_D' has been happening so often, that I think it's reasonable to hit back as their post history is always filled with the most cringeworthy shit imaginable - usually LOTS of gaming, fantasy, sexual frustration.

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[–] tarverine 1 point 7 hours ago

Hey whoa let's calm down here, LoZ Breath of the Wild is good enough to be enjoyed by everyone on both sides of the politics.

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[–] SquidCap -19 points 12 hours ago

Long winded = 4 lines of text. Pace yourself, maybe you are trying to read too much at one time, take a break if 4 lines is too much...

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[–] Glorious_Jo 21 points 12 hours ago

His isn't full of vitriol and anger, and is providing sensible content to the discussion. I'm not trying to accuse you of anything, I've simply noticed you're clearly stressed out and am suggesting courses of action you can take to destress. There is no reason to insult my reading skills.

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[–] 66903972 3 points 6 hours ago

Well, we’re waiting...

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[–] SquidCap 1 point 6 hours ago

Of what, number username?

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[–] 66903972 5 points 5 hours ago

A valid counter-argument.

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[–] TysonButterbean (deleted by user) 1 point 13 hours ago

wut lol

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[–] ObjectiveResolution 1 point 8 hours ago
Just what an NPC would say.
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[–] TysonButterbean (deleted by user) 1 point 13 hours ago
You don't say
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[–] ExConBabysitter 21 points 9 hours ago
Yeah? Obama added all those jobs, did he?
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[–] Sleepyn00b 20 points 4 hours ago
YEAH! and amazingly, he did it 2 years AFTER he left office.
Take that, drumpftard!!
/s
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[–] ExConBabysitter 8 points 4 hours ago
After reading a lot of this thread, it saddens me to see how many people actually believe that's true.
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[–] RumAndGames -22 points 11 hours ago
Half the posts are just things that have happened, with no actual statement of connection to policies.
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[–] [deleted] 1 point 9 hours ago
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[–] 66903972 26 points 6 hours ago
Validity come from something that can literally be bought.
Standard Limo Liberal.
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[–] deadmeerkat -5 points 4 hours ago
Not even American buddy.
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[–] 66903972 6 points 4 hours ago
What does that have to do with anything?
(Other than the fact you're from a country that doesn't pay their fair share into NATO)
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[–] throawaytehworld 3 points an hour ago
So the majority disagree with you, but one privileged redditor agrees and you feel validated?
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[–] vaiovizio 2 points an hour ago
Leroy Jenkins charges in to the horde prematurely while his team is planning and strategizing the attack only to lead to everyone to their untimely deaths
"But at least I got chicken," Leroy quietly states over his microphone to his angry team
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[–] wle8300 2 points 2 hours ago
...Shoorly it is da Russians...
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[–] Odd_Extent 1 point 3 hours ago
Lol, desperation so thick you can cut it with a knife
Reeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee! Goes the NPC.
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[–] elduckbell 1 point 44 minutes ago
> wouldn't be too surprised if President Trump leads to millions of lost jobs from his dull trade wars
I would be. Trade wars are easy to win
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[–] lostinthegarden1 1 point 5 hours ago

"Found another npc to validate my contrived worldview"

You 2 should start work on your own little echo-chamber. You can call it 'reality 2'

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 2 hours ago

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[–] Sticky-G -1 points 7 hours ago

Yes benchmarks mean nothing without evidence you were the cause.

It should read "enacted this policy which caused this growth."

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[–] TheBestLightsaber -1 points 7 hours ago

Some of them seem like the same thing listed multiple times, others are opinions. But there are multiple different stats listed, the list would just be shorter if it was cleaned up.

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[–] emptynothing -15 points 9 hours ago

Literally anyone can make an economy look good in the short-term, especially in a upturn in the economy cycle.

Does the economy look stronger than could be under another president? Yes, because most presidents wouldn't cut taxes, increase spending, and rail against tightening the money supply **in an upswing**.

Increasing government spending, cutting taxes, and loosening the interest rate is all Keynesian policy to do in a depression/recession.

To do it after the economy recovers, and especially in the way he did, increases inequality and potentially creates bubble without wide-spread benefits.

Let us wait and see how these actions impact the next down-turn. Spoiler--they will exacerbate it.

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[–] Stolliosis 2876 points 19 hours ago

The level of public engagement in the political sphere is at an unprecedented high. I think more people being politically aware is a good thing.

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[–] Aubdasi 800 points 16 hours ago

If only people were also willing to put the time into researching the people ans positions they support as well

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[–] Man_of_Average 134 points 13 hours ago

Baby steps?

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[–] Aubdasi 250 points 13 hours ago

I'd say uneducated activism is worse than educated lethargy.

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[–] BeerInMyButt 21 points 10 hours ago

I used to think so, but I think that cultural movements on a large scale just won't be that educated and unified. Like on a cultural scale it's all gonna sound like screaming, and protesting does move the societal needle because it can shape public discourse and get people asking "what are they YELLING about?"

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[–] chooseusernameeeeeee 2 points 3 hours ago

Isn’t one of the requirements of a successful democracy an educated public? An uneducated public can do more harm than good...and this is exactly what’s been happening.

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[–] NoStatistician4 0 points 4 hours ago

The problem comes when these protest movements are funded created and controlled by large corporations pushing their own interests. I mean who funds the resistance? Facebook Twitter Youtube Kellogg's Citibank and one of the richest man in the world Richard Branson

as well as the connections with Soros funding all of that stuff and now we have the Koch brothers jumping in to

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[–] A1VE 3 points 11 hours ago

It’s better than the absolute zero levels of political engagement we had prior to this presidency.

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[–] TyrannorektusRex 1 point 6 hours ago

I'd rather have ignorant people who refuse to research stay out of political issues.

It's like a person with a bad cut or injury. Would you rather have them do their research and know if they need antibiotic ointments and clean and dress the wound or see a doctor,

or would you have them peeing in the injury and rubbing mud in it then downing 20 tylenols saying "THIS SHOULD HELP!"

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[–] A1VE 2 points 6 hours ago

> It's like a person with a bad cut or injury. Would you rather have them do their research and know if they need antibiotic ointments and clean and dress the wound or see a doctor,

These two things are nothing alike, but okay.

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[–] NoStatistician4 1 point 4 hours ago

A better example would be would you rather have somebody with a broken leg on your military unit? Or would you rather have them sit at home whil you guys do the mission?

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[–] A1VE 1 point 4 hours ago

See the problem is that the vast majority of people that engage in politics are either *already* educated in current events or they're learning as they go. People generally don't engage with something with any level of passion without having some knowledge of the subject.

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[–] Allydarvel -3 points 10 hours ago

Yeah..can't believe 38% still support him against their own best interests

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[–] Aubdasi 5 points 10 hours ago

It's not just Trump supporters doing uneducated activism my friend. It's rampant through both parties.

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[–] Allydarvel -3 points 10 hours ago

At least the others may luck out and get universal healthcare out of it...rather than losing it completely

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[–] Aubdasi 2 points 10 hours ago

The rich that still support him don't care about it, they just care they don't have to pay as much in taxes.

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[–] IllKissYourBoobies 2 points 7 hours ago

>At least the others may luck out and get ~~universal healthcare~~ *taxed more* out of it...

There are two sides to many positions.

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[–] Allydarvel 2 points 6 hours ago

Maybe if you earn millions per year

And yet the US pays more than other developed countries for worse coverage and worse outcomes..Maybe a real reorganisation would see a saving for taxpayers

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[–] NoStatistician4 2 points 4 hours ago

Can't believe the majority of Democrats supported Obama against their own interest

Now they support Alexandria Cortez against their own interests

They will probably nominate Kamala Harris SEVERELY against their own interests

It's amazing that they can be so uneducated in uninformed then watch faux news like CNN Huffington Post Washington Post The Daily Show xcetera it's designed to manipulate gullible people into voting against

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[–] bigwreck94 2 points an hour ago

And who are you to decide what someone's best interests are?

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[–] Allydarvel 1 point 4 hours ago

Having healthcare is against their own interest...better working conditions..better protections..higher minimum wage, paid holidays, maternity leave. Jeez, who'd want those kind of things?

I bet they'd rather give billionaires tax breaks. Or just more breaks to companies to buy back their shares and make the CEO richer.

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[–] NoStatistician4 0 points 4 hours ago

You have health care. Universal healthcare is against your own interest.

Things the Democrats support or against your own interests. The fact that you don't even know them or note that shows that you're also an uneducated person supports things against your own interests

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[–] Allydarvel 1 point 4 hours ago

And not one word to contradict what I said..universal healthcare is never against your interest unless you have the mythical job which you can never lose

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[–] gopostal44 -4 points 10 hours ago

So much this, people are being retarded, as usual.

Makes me sick seeing all these cunts engaging emotionally in politics

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[–] bassic_person 4 points 10 hours ago

> So much this, people are being retarded, as usual.

>Makes me sick seeing all these cunts engaging emotionally in politics

Just as a reminder, both sides are prone to getting over-emotional or heated. It's difficult to have level-headed discourse, I agree. They're not necessarily worthy of being called cunts just because you disagree with them.

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[–] gopostal44 6 points 10 hours ago

I'm talking about all sides. Also just the division of politics in two parties is completely stupid. Am not American by the way but this applies to my country as well (France)

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[–] agreeingstorm9 5 points 10 hours ago

You're wrong. My side is level-headed. The other side is hateful and emotional. Say anything different and you're making the "both sides are the same" argument.

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[–] NoStatistician4 1 point 4 hours ago

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[–] Aubdasi 3 points 10 hours ago

Politics should be matter-of-fact, not based in emotions. I'd blame the republicans but they're only better at it than Democrats, not the only exploiters.

I'm.not saying prioritize the many above the few, because that's how we end up with oppressed minorities, but maybe we could not be so stupid and create laws for no reason other than they feel good to get a win over the "enemy"

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[–] gopostal44 6 points 10 hours ago

Yeah exactly, the only goal now is to feel superior over the "enemy", and since they're the enemy EVERYTHING they have to say on an important matter is to be disregarded. Even worse, they have to take the opposite stance just because.
This is so fucked up, but it works really well for politicians because it plays on our basic instincts.

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[–] Aubdasi 3 points 10 hours ago

It's perfect for politicians, that's why they keep driving that wedge deeper.

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[–] Hodor124 4 points 9 hours ago

You posted an interesting comment, I agree with you on politics and laws, and perhaps you live in a very red area and have a different experience. But I live in very leftist state in northeast USA, and from my perspective, it is the Democrats who have a monopoly on emotional exploitation. It's what their whole identity politics, divide and conquer electoral strategy based on stupid phenotypes things like race, sex, etc. is about. One particularly egregious example is characterizing anyone who is pro-life as waging a "war on women", and dismissing pro-life women as just taking orders from their husbands/men in their lives. I do not believe the right caricatures pro-choice women as "pro-murder" to even close to the same extent the left caricatures the right as "anti-woman", and then tries to act like that caricature is emblematic of the right.

My theory on why Democrats are increasingly turning to this divisive strategy is that they are running out of genuine social justice issues to champion, as progressives/liberals (and overlooked, many conservatives) have accomplished many legitimate social justice causes over the last half-century. These were all good, though some successes are now being pushed too far to the

extreme. Instead of recognizing the staggering social success over the last half century and moving forward, the Democrat party has been co-opted by progressive extremists who are only moderately successful at inventing/exaggerating, and then convincing the public of, "new" social justice causes, and thus need to rely on the emotional exploitation of identity politics and race/sex/religious pandering for their electoral success.

And finally, my experience with the city I live in is that minorities "oppress" their own communities far more than any other race/societal factor does, but as explained above Dems use their inherent bigotry of low expectations to pander to these minorities, and have no real interest in having an earnest but difficult discussion in an attempt to fix the problems these communities face. Why fix it if you have already created a welfare state with significant percentages of minorities dependent on the party of big government?

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[–] firerebel123 -1 points 9 hours ago

you cant remove emotion from it unless you remove humans from it. We are emotionally ruled beasts and that will never change.

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[–] Aubdasi 3 points 9 hours ago

We can remove emotion from it. That's the point of our representatives, to negotiate for what the people want, not tell the people how to feel about things.

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[–] firerebel123 1 point 9 hours ago

except the representatives are ruled by emotion.. and what the people want is ruled by emotion...

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[–] Aubdasi 2 points 9 hours ago

No, the people want living wages and less violence.

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[–] firerebel123 1 point 9 hours ago

Because of fear, an emotion. I dont think we are talking about the same thing here or we wouldnt be in disagreement at all. This is not a debatable point, which means you think im saying something im not.

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[–] tr3v1n 1 point 10 hours ago

Calling people cunts... Sounds like you are a bit emotional.

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[–] gopostal44 0 points 10 hours ago

Yeah I am, like everyone else. Difference is I can be rational when discussing political issues. It's not even something difficult to do...

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 97 points 13 hours ago

I'd rather they weren't active if they refuse to base their opinions on facts.

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[–] spaghettimoan 147 points 12 hours ago

I'm not a Trump supporter but people the just say they hate him and all his ideas because he is just Trump get me mad. Like at least research why you should hate him instead of saying I hate him.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 63 points 12 hours ago

I agree (and I fucking despise Trump). So much of the general population's positions rely on how they *feel* about a candidate or policy. Whether or not they personally like the person they're voting for. "Oooh, he likes wine like I do! Must be the right man for the job!" It's one of the many reasons politics will always be a shitshow that doesn't do a better job of bettering society.

And not to pick on him as it's a problem on both sides but Trump is actually a prime example of this. I talk to a lot of his supporters, as my state has one of his highest approval ratings. The reason most people around here support him is because he, "tells it like it is," or, "he's different," or, "he's not a politician," or "he doesn't take liberal shit," or whatever dumbshit reason.

How is this a reason to vote for someone? Wouldn't you much rather have someone you think is going to improve the nation then stick it to whatever segment of society you don't like? Grow the fuck up.

I think America has been comfortable in many ways for so long people don't actually realize things don't actually have to continue that way. This isn't a TV show for your entertainment that will be wrapped up in a nice bow for you at the end.

Things can get much much worse than they already are. And until they do I doubt many people will bother politically informing themselves.

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[–] Angel_Hunter_D 8 points 8 hours ago

The problem is that so many people confuse thinking with feeling

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 3 points 8 hours ago

And also confuse opinion with evidence.

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[–] Bimmer_P 6 points 7 hours ago

Genuinely curious.. Why do you "despise Trump"? Based on his accomplishments only, not his tweeting or style, do you think he's been a good president these first 2 years?

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 7 points 6 hours ago

I don't want to write an essay or engage in a long policy debate as that wasn't my intention here, so I'll be sort of brief.

Some of my largest problems with him are foreign policy based. He's harming our alliances, especially NATO.

He does things like make the unilateral random decision to withdraw from Syria against the advice of his generals (allegedly during a heated phone call with Erdogan.)

He's damaging the rule of law by going after the credibility of our intelligence/law enforcement community only because they're investigating him.

He's destroying American credibility and reliability abroad, the effect of which is hard to measure. He starts, "easily," won trade wars which have largely backfired. He makes disastrous decision after disastrous decision just to play to his base, like shutting down the government to build a wall so he has a talking point for 2020.

If I felt like Trump was taking the nation in the right direction, I would still disagree with his style as it's violently unpresidential but would begrudgingly support his administration.

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[–] Subverted 6 points 6 hours ago

>He's harming our alliances, especially NATO.

Less than a week ago this story came out: >"President Trump has been very clear, he is committed to NATO. He stated that clearly just a few days ago and also at the NATO summit in July," Stoltenberg said on "Fox News Sunday."

>"But at the same time, he has clearly stated that NATO allies need to invest more. And therefore at the summit in July last year, we agreed to do more to step up -- and now we see the results."

>NATO members agreed in 2014 to spend two percent of their gross domestic product on defense by 2024 but around half are not on course to make that target.

>Stoltenberg said, however, that by the end of 2020, NATO allies would have added $100 billion extra toward defense spending.

>**"So we see some real money and some real results. And we see that the clear message from President Trump is having an impact," he added.**

Source: https://www.yahoo.com/news/nato-chief-says-trumps-funding-gripes-having-real-193218258.html

>He's damaging the rule of law by going after the credibility of our intelligence/law enforcement community only because they're investigating him.

They have been damaging their own credibility for years. How many times did Brennan, Clapper, and others lie to Congress or the American people? Even Washington Post was calling for Brennan to be fired by Obama. Clapper continues to claim that he was simply mistaken when he lied through his teeth saying "No, sir… Not wittingly. There are cases where they could inadvertently, perhaps, collect. But not wittingly." in response to being asked if the NSA was capturing American citizen's communication metadata.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 1 point 6 hours ago

Cool story bro, I'm not here to have a policy debate. I was here expressing the opinion that people who argue based on their feelings and not evidence should shut the fuck up.

You're not one of them, so thank you.

I still wholeheartedly disagree with you, as you can pull dozens of anti-NATO statements out of the man's quotes and he has reportedly threatened to pull us out of the alliance. And even if the assumption that the credibility of our security apparatus was already damaged, that doesn't exactly make me love Trump for harming it further.

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[–] Subverted 3 points 5 hours ago

>"And also confuse opinion with evidence." - TheMapperOfMaps

After being confronted with quotes from the Secretary General of NATO and other evidence disputing your opinions...

>"Cool story bro, I'm not here to have a policy debate. I was here expressing the opinion that **people who argue based on their feelings and not evidence should shut the fuck up.**" - TheMapperOfMaps

Oooookay.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 6 points 5 hours ago

Yeah, you really proved me wrong. People should never argue with evidence I guess? Or are you just desperately trying to make me look like a hypocrite because I disagree with your Trump love?

One article with quotes from someone who desperately needs to play nice with Trump. The problem with this situation is you want to turn this into a policy debate, which I'm not interested in at the moment.

So I'm not engaging in that with you. If you want evidence that Trump has damaged NATO, try googling the words Trump and NATO.

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[–] **Subverted** **1 point** 5 hours ago

>If you want evidence that Trump has damaged NATO, try googling the words Trump and NATO.

Stoltenberg, the Secretary General of NATO, says "he has clearly stated that NATO allies need to invest more...And we see that the clear message from President Trump is having an impact".

I will trust him over your opinion considering he is actually in charge of NATO.

Being critical of countries not living up to their agreements does not damage NATO...not living up to agreements damages NATO.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

Congratulations, you're not one of the people I was describing in my original comment. Is there some way I can help you?

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[–] **Subverted** **2 points** 5 hours ago

>Is there some way I can help you?

Following your own advice would be a great start!

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

If I'd said, "people need to argue based on evidence AND be prepared to have policy debates at every moment." Then yeah, I'd agree with you that I was being hypocritical. I dont feel like having a long winded multi-sourced internet argument at this point in time. /r/politics if that mood is striking you brother.

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[–] **Subverted** **1 point** 5 hours ago

I am not debating any policies with you. I provided pretty clear factual evidence to support the statements I made.

The only one who brought up being hypocritical was you...all my posts were meant to convey is that **you are making statements not supported by the facts**. You are the one who brought up hypocrisy, accused me of trying to push some political agenda, and claim I am making it some policy debate.

I have made no political or policy arguments one way or another in my responses to you.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **1 point** 4 hours ago

Cool, can I help you with something?

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[–] **librarian2016** **1 point** 5 hours ago

The credibility of our intelligence community has been iffy since Hoover's shenanigans came out. He has continually said that he believes in and appreciates the rank and file members of law enforcement. The leaders of the intelligence and law enforcement are responsible for their lack of credibility - they have lied and obstructed. He's let the world know that we are no longer responsible for their poor decisions, and we won't continue to pay for their problems. Of course they are pissed. Billions of dollars flow out of the US taxpayers hands so that those countries leaders can line their own pockets. He's highlighted the "make work" organizations that take our money and never truly effectively make a long term difference. Hell, even the Gates foundation has strict requirements and results benchmarks when they give money. Why can't we?

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **1 point** 4 hours ago

Cool.

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[–] Lenny_Kravitz2 1 point 4 hours ago

I understand where you are coming from but I don't think you understand the major shift in the global geopolitical arena. This is a really good video that goes over what all is happening via that shift.

This was recorded at a summit and is a presentation by a geopolitical expert.

https://youtu.be/u0eJK4Avk2M?t=1

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 2 points 4 hours ago

Thanks, I'll give it a watch when I'm in the mood.

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[–] Lenny_Kravitz2 1 point 4 hours ago

Hope you enjoy it. It is pretty informative and the guy that does the presentation is more on the Green/Liberal side but also a moderate (if that makes sense?). He is also pretty funny as well.

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[–] BonzaiBananas 2 points 5 hours ago

Social media doesn't help. Since many people will believe whatever gets posted.

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[–] littleriddle 4 points 7 hours ago

At least they didn't vote for a person because they were a female or because it's her turn. Most people tell their liberal friends the answer you posted because they don't want to talk politics with a person who can't have a conversation about politics without it getting personal. I recommend looking back at your past interactions regarding politics with the same people are harassing today and you will understand they just don't want to talk to you about politics because you can't be civil.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 5 points 6 hours ago

I mentioned it's a problem in all of politics, but used Trump as an example because it's to such an extreme. I'm just as against people voting for Hillary for such dumb reasons.

Nice whataboutism though. And news flash, I didn't vote for Hillary or like her as a person or many of her policy positions.

As for these people I've been, "harassing," it's pretty hard to find a Trump supporter who doesn't want to have a long and heated conversation about him. When I have such a conversation, I stick to evidence and facts. When they refuse to do so, I stop talking to them about it because their positions are based on emotion, which isn't something that can be argued about except to say it's the wrong way to base your political positions (the point of my original comment). When I meet a Trump supporter who doesn't hound on about it, it's not something I engage them much about.

Maybe the reason you feel harassed is because you're emotionally invested in him and all the facts seem to point toward you being wrong. That's likely an exhausting position to be in, I don't envy it.

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[–] littleriddle -6 points 6 hours ago

See insults and harassment. You keep pushing the conversation even though they don't wish to. That's harassment. Thanks for trying to tell me how I feel without knowing anything about me. Love your superiority complex over others. Go vote for Hilary again liar.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 4 points 6 hours ago

I see you just make up whatever narrative you want to make things jive in your head how you wish they actually were. Have a good one.

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[–] littleriddle 0 points 6 hours ago

See harassment and insults. No wonder you get generic answers when talking politics. Keep hating and blaming others. Since you are a little slow I'll elaborate for you. You are a hateful person and the people you confront know it after a few sentences. You are in denial of your hate and therefore blame everyone but yourself. Until you realize you are the issue nobody will have a real conversation with you.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 2 points 6 hours ago

Holy projection Batman.

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[–] 1982throwaway1 4 points 5 hours ago

> At least they didn't vote for a person because they were a female or because it's her turn. Most people tell their liberal friends the answer you posted because they don't want to talk politics with a person who can't have a conversation about politics without it getting personal.

Conservatives never do this either right?

While I agree that someone voting for a candidate based solely on gender or race is idiotic, it's also quite telling that we've never had a female president and only recently had one that was 1/2 black.

>I recommend looking back at your past interactions regarding politics with the same people you are harassing today and you will understand they just don't want to talk to you about politics because you can't be civil.

Dude was being extremely civil in this conversation and you seem to be the one expressing overt ideology and think your comment in and of itself was quite harassing.

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[–] **littleriddle** **-3 points** 5 hours ago

Oh no someone on the internet is be a hypocrite. Call the news stations this is sure to be the end of Trump.

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[–] **1982throwaway1** **2 points** 5 hours ago

> Oh no someone on the internet is be a hypocrite.

Wow, ur reel smurt erint ya.

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[–] **littleriddle** **1 point** 5 hours ago

Log back into your original account. How pathetic is it to create fake accounts to just follow up on your own post.

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[–] **1982throwaway1** **0 points** 4 hours ago

This is my only account and it's 2 1/2 years old. The term "throwaway" doesn't only pertain to reddit accounts. The smallest amount of research would show you that but I'm guessing you're really not into research... just idiotic (and harassing) comments and blindly following what you hear regurgitated on Fox (you're a sheep).

Here are my top comments and the second from the top explains u/1982throwaway1.

>How pathetic is it to create fake accounts

Speaking of pathetic, don't you have anything better to do than continuously failing at your attempt to make me look stupid? In doing so, you truly have made yourself look like a pathetic idiot.

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[–] **littleriddle** **1 point** 4 hours ago

Yeah and you are a super model as well. Get the fuck out here liar.

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[–] **1982throwaway1** **0 points** 3 hours ago

You seem very angry lady.

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[–] **littleriddle** **0 points** 3 hours ago

You just can't trust anything that bleeds for seven days and doesn't die.

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[–] **littleriddle (deleted by user)** **0 points** 4 hours ago

Bump

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[–] **1982throwaway1** **3 points** 6 hours ago

> This isn't a TV show for your entertainment that will be wrapped up in a nice bow for you at the end.

People seem to think that politics are relatable to sports these days and tend to vote for "their team". I consider myself to be very liberal for the most part but I'm also for reduction in spending, I'm pro gun (with better restrictions) and I would have voted for John Kasich over Hillary.

Kasich is the only person I would have voted for over Hillary. Although I have very different opinions on many things, he's a rare politician that truly seems honest.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **3 points** 5 hours ago

That's hilarious, I use the sports analogy pretty often. I always say I'm waiting for the jerseys of politicians to start showing up. I also preferred Kasich but ended up leaving the presidential spot blank because I could swallow Hillary either. We should start a political party.

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[–] itshighbroom 3 points 6 hours ago

>Wouldn't you much rather have someone you think is going to improve the nation then stick it to whatever segment of society you don't like?

Thank you. I deal with the opposite set of people. People who hate Trump and hate the "rust belt" and the people who live there for no reason.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 2 points 5 hours ago

So long as you base your opinions in verifiable unbiased facts and evidence, fuck those people who hate you for such a reason.

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[–] NoStatistician4 2 points 4 hours ago

It's propaganda. They're indoctrinated by Propaganda

they watch fake news shows like Stephen Colbert or Jimmy Kimmel or Saturday Night Live or even CNN that are designed to manipulate gullible people who don't have a lot of information on the world

The accused Fox News of being fake but they're news networks are just as bad if not wor

they listen to conspiracy theorists like Rachel Maddow blabbering on about Alex Jones level conspiracy theories and they actually take her seriously

the majority of them couldn't even tell you what the unemployment rate is. But they could draw a whiteboard full of Random Pepe Silvia looking connections how Trump secretly colluded with Russia to fake the moon landing

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[–] betterplanwithchan 1 point 4 hours ago

Colbert and Kimmel are talk shows, SNL is a variety show. To lump that in with CNN (which does have its own issues, admittedly) shows that you are being disingenuous with the discussion.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 1 point 4 hours ago

You mention a lot of leftist media, so long as you recognize the same problem on the right I'd say we mostly agree.

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[–] NoStatistician4 1 point an hour ago

I can admit that many right-wing sources are biased. I don't see the same problem. I don't see right-wing media literally lying and doctoring videos and faking protests in order to push a false narrative. They just don't have that option. If Fox gets anything wrong the left-wing media attacks them for weeks. Like when an intern accidentally put up the wrong Ruth Bader Ginsburg graphic. They were attacked four days even though it wasn't even a lie. It was just a mistake.

if fox really lied as much as they claim you would see the examples everyday.

fox has lied. But even according to PolitiFact there's only 50 examples

if you Google or Bing you can find hundreds of examples of CNN lying

And much more egregiously. From doctoring videos of trump feeding fish

Outright lying about Jim Acosta.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 1 point 39 minutes ago

https://www.politifact.com/punditfact/tv/fox/

https://www.politifact.com/punditfact/tv/cnn/

If you're gonna make these claims you probably shouldn't quote politifact because it doesn't really pan out for you. Also, randomly citing some search engines which leads god knows where isn't exactly a good place to put your faith.

I'm not gonna get too involved in this because I think both sources you are speaking about are absolutely shitty propaganda whorehouses. Though I would be lying if I didn't say I think the right is a little more guilty. I much prefer to spend my time on places like apnews and reuters.

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[–] Cyrakhis 1 point 4 hours ago

Colbert is satire o.O Lol

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[–] UrTheologyNeedsWork 1 point 7 hours ago

Fucking virtue forest fire right here.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 1 point 7 hours ago

Forest fires rejuvenate forests, so I'll take that as a very applicable and welcome compliment.

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[–] **Mintfriction** **1 point** 5 hours ago

Well, that's the whole basis of represantative democracy, you vote the person that represents you the most. That's why the vote is universal and not behind a test or the officials are elected/gated by an apptitude and performance test

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[–] **Apersonofinterest666** **1 point** 3 hours ago

Feel better fellow citizen.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **2 points** 3 hours ago

Thank you!

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[–] **googleyedjack** **1 point** 7 hours ago

You seem like an intelligent being. Being Canadian, I have a question for you:

What happens after the investigation is over?

At best, the indictments stop and a crazy amount of trumps staff and family are implicated in serious crimes, some may even be found treasonous.

At worst, trump himself is indicted for god knows what.

What, in any case, do you think the reaction of America will be to a clear attack on America's liberty? Wether it's Russia set up bots to infiltrate our citizens through social media or even Russia infiltrated the White House and the president (If that is found). Does the average American just continue along like nothing ever happened? This whole thing must have an end goal, right? So what is it? Does america retaliate? This thought came to me looking at the pictures of Michael Cohen nearly in tears.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **3 points** 6 hours ago

I genuinely have no idea, and anyone who claims they know how this will play out is fooling themselves.

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[–] **LayneLowe** **4 points** 11 hours ago

I can hate him for crushing any shred of dignity, honor and gravitas from the office of the President. Petty insults, lying everyday, a narcissistic view where any and everything only can be evaluated in terms of him instead of the good of the Nation. The disrespect for the nation's institutions, the bizzaro appointment of actually evil bureaucracy heads or lack of appointments of important positions and the dumbing down of rhetoric, we are all dumber for it.

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[–] **pyro5050** **3 points** 10 hours ago

i am not a fan, but fuck me if he cant stand his ground for things he thinks is right.

sadly i dont think what he thinks is right, is right either most of the time. but rarely i get that surprising thought of "fuck me... he's right, the orange man is right"

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[–] **Mom2Rad_Sims4** **0 points** 6 hours ago

That person didn't say that though. You are the one who just made their point by jumping to a conclusion that you have no evidence for.

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[–] **spaghettimoan** **2 points** 6 hours ago

I am building off of what they said by using that as an example.

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[–] **Old_sea_man** **1 point** 5 hours ago

You do this all day every day and anyone who doubts me can just open your post history and see that for themselves.

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[–] **mpitt0730** **0 points** an hour ago

You good sir, summed up one of the biggest problems in US politics. I salute you

-A Trump supporter

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[–] **SolidCake** **-2 points** 9 hours ago

It's extremely childish. Reminds me of a 4th grader saying they got in trouble because "the teacher hates them"

Maybe it's because he's being a shithead?

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[–] **ironmanbenji** **-1 points** 4 hours ago

That would eliminate most democrat supporters then. □□□

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 1 point 4 hours ago

Sick burn.

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[–] CarbonatedPruneJuice 1 point 3 hours ago

Do do do do do baby steps

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[–] dangolhenry 1 point 3 hours ago

if this isn't a joke about Virginia, you're doing reddit wrong.

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[–] Spa_5_Fitness_Camp 1 point 8 hours ago

No, this is the wrong way. People are engaged at record levels, loudly voicing opinions they have no evidence for and refuse to research. That's worse than them be disengaged.

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[–] Htowngetdown 0 points 9 hours ago

Like the babies that New York now wants to murder? That was another good thing Trump did, call out Hillary in the debates for her and her side supporting abortions up until birth. Now Virginia introduces a bill that would have allowed post-birth baby birder. So I think Trump is pretty good for being against 9th trimester abortions.

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[–] blerghHerder 20 points 9 hours ago

"They say a little knowledge is a dangerous thing, but it's not one half so bad as a lot of ignorance"

~Terry Pratchett

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[–] Wildely_Earnest 1 point 2 hours ago

Pratchett quotes get upvotes. Its the way I was raised.

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[–] BeraldGevins 8 points 11 hours ago

I think it’s becoming more common. People that weren’t engaged at all are know looking into subjects involving current politics. I think the country became apathetic and this was the jolt it needed

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[–] Roseandwolf 1 point 8 hours ago

Exactly

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[–] Aubdasi 0 points 11 hours ago

Yeah but they're not being critical, they're just accepting whichever color they like tells them to believe in.

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[–] Merlota 1 point 8 hours ago

Sadly the positions of any one candidate matter a lot less than the party they'll vote with. Your rep might be a radical, exactly what you want. The party won't be and party leaders decide what gets a vote.

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[–] ranchmasturbator 1 point 4 hours ago

Totally agree. That said, Trump is an outlier here. First and foremost he was never a politician prior so there is no concrete history of his positions towards specific policy. On top of that, he has pretty much flip flopped on ever opinion known to the American political system. And I’m not saying that is a bad thing normally. For instance, it’s a great thing that a lot of career politicians tend to be pro Gay marriage nowadays where as that was not close to as popular of an opinion back in the 90s. But trump will literally change his position on a day to day basis and then say he never held a certain opinion even though he clearly stated on camera that he did. So with him, you are pretty much just voting for what he represents as a person.

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[–] Silent_As_The_Grave_ 1 point 4 hours ago

Sadly people don’t have time. They foolishly rely on ‘news’ networks to tell them how to feel about current events. Some even go as far as telling them what to do to fight/defend whatever political agenda the network is pushing.

Just reporting the news only? Those days have been long gone for decades.

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[–] xFYD_ 1 point 7 hours ago

Just wondering but would you be for that if it resulted in me disagreeing? I've based my views on the facts avaliable yet people still get upset.

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[–] YourWaifuisShit666 1 point 2 hours ago

can you really expect that from people who get their news and commentary from late night talk shows?

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[–] spaghettilee2112 23 points 10 hours ago

Which is something he's not directly responsible for. It's accurate to say he's a symptom, not the problem. As a leftist (not like a liberal, a leftist), I fear that Trump is bringing faith in the system back. Suddenly, if you don't trust the FBI, you're a Trump conspiracy nutbag. Suddenly, if you don't trust the mainstream media, it also makes you a Trump conspiracy nutbag. And people *miss* warhawks like Obama and Bush. They *miss* the guy that led us to a useless war in Iraq and *miss* the guy that increased drone strikes in the Middle East, increasing civilian deaths.

These guys have never been your friend. The main stream media has always been sowing fear and distrust in peoples minds and the FBI has always been a shady organization. When all is said and done and Trump is goner and everything goes back to normal, we'll be back to our usual war hawks running amok in the world and everyone complacent.

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[–] WonOneWun 5 points 8 hours ago

So you’re saying the world is more peaceful with trump at the helm?

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[–] spaghettilee2112 2 points 8 hours ago

No.

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[–] Roodyrooster 3 points 8 hours ago

I just read and reread a lengthy post from a self described leftist and find nothing I disagree with. I may have to go by a lottery ticket today

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[–] TOProMale 20 points 13 hours ago

Being politically aware but too stupid to actually verify any of the propaganda you see on Facebook isn't a good thing.

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[–] Headkickerchamp (deleted by user) 24 points 10 hours ago

Oh stop it. People of all ages post incredibly dumb shit. I just removed a few people my age (26) from Facebook for posting anti-vax nonsense.

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[–] heybrother45 23 points 11 hours ago

You act like this doesn't happen on reddit all the goddamn time. Very biased headlines get posted here all the time and I would say the majority of people don't read the articles.

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[–] bewfloor -4 points 11 hours ago

Agreed. For a real world example, see Brexit.

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[–] Cymro2011 19 points 14 hours ago

>at an unpresidented high.

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[–] Rasterblath 14 points 9 hours ago

It’s only good if they are educated.

I’m serious. Otherwise it’s just noise. It’s why most modern day political discussion is crap.

98% of the politics sub is argumentative fallacy.

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[–] redditstok 1 point 7 hours ago

Yeah there should be a literacy test to vote /s

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[–] rossimus 2 points 10 hours ago

I agree. I think we in the US have been too prude about certain things "you don't talk about at the dinner table," like politics, religion, or sex. As a result, we've retarded our ability as a society to have adult conversations about these things.

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[–] Serdnasocram 2 points 3 hours ago

Agreed. Love or hate him, trump was exactly what the country needed to get people more involved. Especially the youth because there has always been indifference in politics with that group until he came along. Even i can place myself in that category.

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[–] HouseOfAplesaus 2 points 14 hours ago

That's what I've been holding onto since realized he was really going to be president. Hope for bringing people together in the united front against ignorance.

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[–] scroom38 11 points 13 hours ago

The downside is many/ most people have simply doubled down on ignorance. Im not saying trump is great, or even good, but he's not evil Hitler 2.0.

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[–] PeterMus -1 points 10 hours ago

Trump is enabling the continued systematic degredation of American democracy, our global soft power, security, our allies security, the lives of millions, etc.

Trump is getting people killed.

The problem is framing evil in the context of leaders enabled to commit mass murder and genocide.

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[–] scroom38 8 points 9 hours ago

People always say shit like this without sources or reasoning. Your post reads like copypasta propoganda from one of the dozens of anti-trump subs.

Do most world leaders dislike him? Yes. There are plenty of other leaders most of the world thinks are fools too. Im not saying it's an excuse, im saying Trump's ridicule is exaggerated.

How is trump getting people killed. Apparently good things he did that were started in other administrations don't count, so logically anything bad wouldn't count either.

Finally, all this talk of "russian collusion" is agrivating. Not because of the situation itself, but because of what people prioritize. People on reddit think every rumor or speculation is true. Before the election reddit hailed WikiLeaks as a legitimate and trustworthy source of information. During the election, when Wikileaks leaked Democratic scandals, Hillary's disregard for national security, collusion between the DNC and major companies to get the GOP to nominate one of "3 key candidates" to make it easier for hillary to win, etc., suddenly wikileaks was untrustworthy. Unfounded. GOP propaganda. The moment Wikileaks said something democratic redditors didnt want to hear, they dismissed it entirely.

Weather or not russia meddled in the election, they have long standing policies to sew distrust among the american population. This distrust and hatred is exactly what soviet era leadership wants.

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[–] Jabron661 1 point 10 hours ago

That's bullshit and you know it.

How exactly is Trump getting people killed? Is ending the wars in Afghanistan and Syria getting people killed?

Is working to ramp down the rhetoric and hostility in North and South Korea getting people killed?

Is working to stop the flow of opiates and meth coming in from Mexico getting people killed?

How is getting NATO to pay MORE money for it's defense degrading our allies security?

Trump may not be the most eloquent speaker, sure he says some crazy or rude things, but he won the election by telling people EXACTLY what he wanted to do for them, and he has done just that.

He said he was going to reform trade deals, lower taxes, create jobs, end wars, lower regulations and so on, and he has done EXACTLY what he said he was going to do, despite 24x7 negative spin from the media and resistance from almost EVERYONE else in Washingtion, included half of his own party.

The only people I see or hear calling for mass murder are the posters on politics subreddit calling for Trump supporters to be mowed down or "dealt with" in various ways.

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[–] dogpriest 1 point 6 hours ago

It's also a time of great confusion. Like what is the truth?

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[–] pfta4 1 point 7 hours ago

In spite of him, not because of him

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[–] hodorhodor12 1 point 6 hours ago

It's not meaningful positive engagement so it's just furthering the divide. So really, it's not actually anything good.

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[–] pmmeurgrammermistak 1 point 3 hours ago

> The level of public engagement in the political sphere is at an unprecedented high. I think more people being politically aware is a good thing

i'd appreciate this IF it were kept only to the United States.

I go to UK, its trump. I go to India, its Trump. I go to Canada - trump. every continent is only talking about your fucking idiot. Loads of non-american people are hashtagging not my president.

wut.

He NEVER was your president. fuck off.

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[–] **Wolfeur 1 point** 10 hours ago

But is it something he has *done*, or something that happened *because of him*?

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[–] **Mom2Rad_Sims4 1 point** 6 hours ago

It would be if anyone had a clue about what they're talking about. Most people belong to a political party but have no idea what that party actually stands for. Just look at the responses in this thread. 99% of people know more about sports teams than the political platform of their own party.

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[–] **sf_davie 1 point** 7 hours ago

As a nation, we are getting a crash course in advanced civics and our democracy is getting stress-tested like no time before.

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[–] **Huflungpu2 1 point** 5 hours ago

“Politically Aware” CAN be good, but what if everyone is bandwagoning to a side and being fed misinformation? would we rather have low voter turnout where the voters on average have more knowledge or a high voter turnout where people don’t know anything about policy and their outcomes?

honestly, i have no clue. just something i have been thinking about recently. i truly believe the vast vast majority of voters don’t know what they are talking about. i consider myself more educated on political topics than most people, yet i will acknowledge that there is such an immense amount that i don’t know.

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[–] **smellincoffee 1 point** 2 minutes ago

I had been completely jaded about politics since 2007, but different crises (Puerto Rico, the shut-down) and the realization that there's apparently no one responsible at the helm have made me a plugged-in citizen again. I'm actually reading news and following senators (of disparate views) on twitter.

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[–] **benjimima 1 point** 9 hours ago

Agree with this - it's the only good thing to come from this and Brexit people definitely seem more engaged. I just hope it follows through at the polls with continued decent turn outs.

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[–] **N-Code 1 point** 7 hours ago

I think I have to disagree with you. I actually think this is one of the worst aspects of the Trump presidency. Its not the engagement that's bad, it's just that politics are such an ever present part of everyday life right now. I find that oppressive in a weird way. I can't really articulate it well, but I feel like there is more liberty/freedom (for lack of a better term) when we don't have to spend so much mental bandwidth thinking about politics all the time. It's like we could be doing such better things with our time, things that bring us joy or contentment, or really anything. So I guess I would say this: living in a truly free society means not having to spend much time thinking about how we are being governed. It seems counter intuitive in a way, but that's as good as I could put it.

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[–] **NecessaryWafer 1 point** an hour ago

Too bad it's only late night shows

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[–] **DJA2019 1 point** 4 hours ago

That's how this country started and is only through an educated voter base we will keep it.

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[–] **azsxdcfvg 1 point** 11 hours ago

I'm so politically aware that I stopped following politics.

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[–] **Jackiechanglasses 1 point** 4 hours ago

Just because they’re engaged doesn’t mean they’re aware.

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[–] **RoboNinjaPirate 1 point** 4 hours ago

When that happened earlier, the previous administration tried to shut down the Tea Party via their IRS attack dogs.

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[–] **CAP1TAN_RON** **1 point** 3 hours ago

but at what cost my man

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[–] **svenson_26** **0 points** 9 hours ago

It's like we are riding a bus. If the driver is doing his job right, nobody would pay attention to his driving. There would be no comments. Everyone would just go about their lives.

But if he was swerving in and out of traffic, and driving extremely reckless, then you better believe that everyone on that bus would be focused on the road, holding on tight, and speaking up to tell him to slow the fuck down.

It's not a good thing if more people are engaged. They feel like they are on a bus that's about to crash.

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[–] **talex95** **0 points** 13 hours ago

at what cost

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[–] **HenkieVV** **0 points** 10 hours ago

You're not wrong, but I'm not convinced it's a good thing. I don't remember where I heard this, but somebody said that real freedom is having the luxury of being able to not care about politics. I feel we've all lost something in that regard.

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[–] **cascua** **-1 points** 12 hours ago

Is that really something he did though? Or just a response to his shitty presidency?

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[–] **ReallyGoodDog** **-1 points** 12 hours ago

That's not something good he's done. That's a result of all the bad stuff he's done. The media has brought more engagement.

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[–] **eternalgoodmorning** **2628 points** 10 hours ago

He just signed that bill to clean up garbage in the ocean, that was pretty nice.

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[–] **Lhousy** **68 points** 8 hours ago

I'm not doubting you, but do you have a source for it? I'd genuinely like to read about it.

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[–] **eternalgoodmorning** **279 points** 8 hours ago

https://m.washingtontimes.com/news/2018/oct/11/trump-signs-law-curb-foreign-ocean-dumping/

https://www.cnsnews.com/news/article/melanie-arter/trump-signs-bill-clean-oceans-trash-floating-foreign-countries

https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/remarks-president-trump-signing-s-3508-save-seas-act-2018/

The world of google is at your fingertips.

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[–] **Lhousy** **68 points** 8 hours ago

I appreciate it, very encouraging read.

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[–] **NoStatistician4** **62 points** 4 hours ago

Veterans affairs

- Signed the VA Accountability Act and expanded VA telehealth services, walk-in-clinics, and same-day urgent primary and mental health care.
- Delivered more appeals decisions – 81,000 – to veterans in a single year than ever before.
- Strengthened protections for individuals who come forward and identify programs occurring within the VA.
- Signed legislation that provided $86.5 billion in funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the largest dollar amount in history for the VA.
- VA MISSION Act, enacting sweeping reform to the VA system that:
  - Consolidated and strengthened VA community care programs.
  - Funding for the Veterans Choice program.
  - Expanded eligibility for the Family Caregivers Program.
  - Gave veterans more access to walk-in care.
  - Strengthened the VA's ability to recruit and retain quality healthcare professionals.
  - Enabled the VA to modernize its assets and infrastructure.
- Signed the VA Choice and Quality Employment Act in 2017, which authorized $2.1 billion in addition funds for the Veterans Choice Program.
- Worked to shift veterans' electronic medical records to the same system used by the Department of Defense, a decades old priority.
- Issued an executive order requiring the Secretaries of Defense, Homeland Security, and Veterans Affairs to submit a joint plan to provide veterans access to access to mental health treatment as they transition to civilian life.
- Increased transparency and accountability at the VA by launching an online "Access and Quality Tool," providing veterans with access to wait time and quality of care data.
- Signed legislation to modernize the claims and appeal process at the VA.

- Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act, providing enhanced educational benefits to veterans, service members, and their family members.
    - Lifted a 15-year limit on veterans' access to their educational benefits.
- Created a White House VA Hotline to help veterans and principally staffed it with veterans and direct family members of veterans.
- VA employees are being held accountable for poor performance, with more than 4,000 VA employees removed, demoted, and suspended so far.
- Signed the Veterans Treatment Court Improvement Act, increasing the number of VA employees that can assist justice-involved veterans.

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[–] **NoStatistician4** **27 points** 4 hours ago

Foreign Policy

- Moved the U.S. Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem.
- Withdrew from Iran deal and immediately began the process of re-imposing sanctions that had been lifted or waived.
    - Treasury has issued sanctions targeting Iranian activities and entities, including the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps-Qods Force
    - Since enacting sanctions, Iran's crude exports have fallen off, the value of Iran's currency has plummeted, and international companies have pulled out of the country.
    - All nuclear-related sanctions will be back in full force by early November 2018.
- Historic summit with North Korean President Kim Jong-Un, bringing beginnings of peace and denuclearization to the Korean Peninsula.
    - The two leaders have exchanged letters and high-level officials from both sides have met resulting in tremendous progress.
    - North Korea has halted nuclear and missile tests.
    - Negotiated the return of the remains of missing-in-action soldiers from the Korean War.
- Imposed strong sanctions on Venezuelan dictator Nicholas Maduro and his inner circle.
- Executive order preventing those in the U.S. from carrying out certain transactions with the Venezuelan regime, including prohibiting the purchase of the regime's debt.
- Responded to the use of chemical weapons by the Syrian regime.
    - Rolled out sanctions targeting individuals and entities tied to Syria's chemical weapons program.
    - Directed strikes in April 2017 against a Syrian airfield used in a chemical weapons attack on innocent civilians.
    - Joined allies in launching airstrikes in April 2018 against targets associated with Syria's chemical weapons use.
- New Cuba policy that enhanced compliance with U.S. law and held the Cuban regime accountable for political oppression and human rights abuses.
    - Treasury and State are working to channel economic activity away from the Cuban regime, particularly the military.
- Changed the rules of engagement, empowering commanders to take the fight to ISIS.
    - ISIS has lost virtually all of its territory, more than half of which has been lost under Trump.
    - ISIS' self-proclaimed capital city, Raqqah, was liberated in October 2017.
    - All Iraqi territory had been liberated from ISIS.
- More than a dozen American hostages have been freed from captivity all of the world.
- Action to combat Russia's malign activities, including their efforts to undermine the sanctity of United States elections.
    - Expelled dozens of Russian intelligence officers from the United States and ordered the closure of the Russian consulate in Seattle, WA.
    - Banned the use of Kaspersky Labs software on government computers, due to the company's ties to Russian intelligence.
    - Imposed sanctions against five Russian entities and three individuals for enabling Russia's military and intelligence units to increase Russia's offensive cyber capabilities.
    - Sanctions against seven Russian oligarchs, and 12 companies they own or control, who profit from Russia's destabilizing activities.
    - Sanctioned 100 targets in response to Russia's occupation of Crimea and aggression in Eastern Ukraine.
    - Enhanced support for Ukraine's Armed Forces to help Ukraine better defend itself.
- Helped win U.S. bid for the 2028 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.
- Helped win U.S.-Mexico-Canada's united bid for 2026 World Cup.

Defense

- Executive order keeping the detention facilities at U.S. Naval Station Guantanamo Bay open.
- $700 billion in military funding for FY 2018 and $716 billion for FY 2019.
- Largest military pay raise in nearly a decade.
- Ordered a Nuclear Posture Review to ensure America's nuclear forces are up to date and serve as a credible deterrent.
- Released America's first fully articulated cyber strategy in 15 years.
- New strategy on national biodefense, which better prepares the nation to defend against biological threats.
- Administration has announced that it will use whatever means necessary to protect American citizens and servicemen from unjust prosecution by the International Criminal Court.
- Released an America first National Security Strategy.
- Put in motion the launch of a Space Force as a new branch of the military and relaunched the National Space Council.
- Encouraged North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies to increase defense spending to their agree-upon levels.
    - In 2017 alone, there was an increase of more than 4.8 percent in defense spending amongst NATO allies.
    - Every member state has increased defense spending.
    - Eight NATO allies will reach the 2 percent benchmark by the end of 2018 and 15 allies are on trade to do so by 2024.
    - NATO allies spent over $42 billion dollars more on defense since 2016.
- Executive order to help military spouses find employment as their families deploy domestically and abroad.

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[–] pablodiablo906 10 points 3 hours ago

So many of these aren't good lol

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[–] NoStatistician4 (deleted by user) 1 point 4 hours ago

Trade

- Negotiating and renegotiating better trade deals, achieving free, fair, and reciprocal trade for the United States.
  - Agreed to work with the European Union towards zero tariffs, zero non-tariff barriers, and zero subsides.
  - Deal with the European Union to increase U.S. energy exports to Europe.
  - Litigated multiple WTO disputes targeting unfair trade practices and upholding our right to enact fair trade laws.
  - Finalized a revised trade agreement with South Korea, which includes provisions to increase American automobile exports.
  - Negotiated an historic U.S.-Mexico-Canada Trade Agreement to replace NAFTA.
  - Agreement to begin trade negotiations for a U.S.-Japan trade agreement.
  - Secured $250 billion in new trade and investment deals in China and $12 billion in Vietnam.
  - Established a Trade and Investment Working Group with the United Kingdom, laying the groundwork for post-Brexit trade.
- Enacted steel and aluminum tariffs to protect our vital steel and aluminum producers and strengthen our national security.
- Conducted 82 anti-dumping and countervailing duty investigations in 2017 alone.
- Confronting China's unfair trade practices after years of Washington looking the other way.
  - 25 percent tariff on $50 billion of goods imported from China and later imposed an additional 10% tariff on $200 billion of Chinese goods.
  - Conducted an investigation into Chinese forced technology transfers, unfair licensing practices, and intellectual property theft.
  - Imposed safeguard tariffs to protect domestic washing machines and solar products manufacturers hurt by China's trade policies
- Withdrew from the job-killing Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP).
- Secured access to new markets for America's farmers.
  - Recent deal with Mexico included new improvements enabling food and agriculture to trade more fairly.
  - Recent agreement with the E.U. will reduce barriers and increase trade of American soybeans to Europe.
  - Won a WTO dispute regarding Indonesia's unfair restriction of U.S. agricultural exports.
  - Defended American Tuna fisherman and packagers before the WTO
  - Opened up Argentina to American pork experts for the first time in a quarter-century
  - American beef exports have returned to china for the first time in more than a decade
- OK'd up to $12 billion in aid for farmers affected by unfair trade retaliation.

Energy

- Presidential Memorandum to clear roadblocks to construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline.
- Presidential Memorandum declaring that the Dakota Access Pipeline serves the national interest and initiating the process to complete construction.
- Opened up the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge to energy exploration.
- Coal exports up over 60 percent in 2017.
- Rolled back the "stream protection rule" to prevent it from harming America's coal industry.
- Cancelled Obama's anti-coal Clean Power Plan and proposed the Affordable Clean Energy Rule as a replacement.
- Withdrew from the job-killing Paris climate agreement, which would have cost the U.S. nearly $3 trillion and led to 6.5 million fewer industrial sector jobs by 2040.
- U.S. oil production has achieved its highest level in American history
- United States is now the largest crude oil producer in the world.
- U.S. has become a net natural gas exporter for the first time in six decades.
- Action to expedite the identification and extraction of critical minerals that are vital to the nation's security and economic prosperity.
- Took action to reform National Ambient Air Quality Standards, benefitting American manufacturers.
- Rescinded Obama's hydraulic fracturing rule, which was expected to cost the industry $32 million per year.
- Proposed an expansion of offshore drilling as part of an all-of-the above energy strategy
  - Held a lease sale for offshore oil and gas leases in the Gulf of Mexico in August 2018.
- Got EU to increase its imports of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the United States.
- Issued permits for the New Burgos Pipeline that will cross the U.S.-Mexico border.

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[–] KerbalFactorioLeague -1 points 2 hours ago

> Moved the U.S. Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem.

You think this is a good thing trumpey? Because it was incredibly stupid to throw away leverage for nothing

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[–] TroyMcClure8184 13 points 2 hours ago

Genuine question: what leverage and with who, Israel?

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[–] NoStatistician4 6 points an hour ago

He doesn't know. He just knows somebody on the CNN said something about it i

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[–] DankMayMays_Esq 12 points 2 hours ago

We already agreed to do that a long time ago. Presidents have just been delaying it over and over and over. Trump just actually decided to do what we said we would.

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 3 points 2 hours ago

No, it wasn't a good thing it was a great thing. Throw away leverage for what making palestine a real thing?

LOL, hard pass.

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[–] contestedhuman -6 points 3 hours ago

These aren't all good...

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[–] grain_delay -7 points 3 hours ago

No sources on any of this

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 7 points 2 hours ago

How the hell could you know when Trump farts the wrong direction, but not know the shit ton of things listed in this post?

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[–] grain_delay -1 points an hour ago

Are you confusing me for someone else? Or do you think everyone who disagrees with you shares the same opinion?

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[–] NoStatistician4 2 points an hour ago

I guarantee you can name every single fake Scandal CNN has come up with about Trump fact that you haven't heard about any of these things proves that you watch fake news

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[–] grain_delay 1 point 39 minutes ago

Sorry, I can't

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[–] NoStatistician4 1 point 38 minutes ago

What did trump call nazis?

Ehat did sarah sanders do to jim acostas video?

What famous drink did trump mispell on twitter?

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[–] Yare-YareDaze -8 points 3 hours ago

Alot of these aren't good.

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[–] littleirishmaid 9 points 3 hours ago

You are a legend! Thank you.

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[–] yelnats25 12 points 4 hours ago

Notice how none of these are CNN, MSNBC, WaPo, etc. They never give him credit for anything.

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[–] littlealbatross 20 points 3 hours ago

From CNN :

>The need to clean up our oceans is getting attention beyond this project. Last week, President Donald Trump signed the Save Our Seas Act, which aims to help clean ocean waste by extending its own ocean cleanup initiative, the Marine Debris Program, for five more years.

Also from CNN, a transcript of a news report they did on the Save our Seas act.

True, I didn't find anything on MSNBC or WaPo specifically but the AP wrote an article about it and it was published in dozens of places, and even Gizmodo wrote an article praising the legislation.

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich -4 points an hour ago

Well....good. I mean that is a start to actual real news again, but even a clock is right twice a day.

CNN, MSNBC, NYT, and all the other wannabes are still so far in their own feelings I don't think I could ever trust them again.

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[–] Sleepyn00b 2 points 2 hours ago

I never got the whole 'sauce please' one liner.

I mean, I do; it's a lazy retort to your reply that simultaneously dismisses you while branding you a liar.

But I guess....

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[–] Hydraxe04 5 points 8 hours ago

same here

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[–] 99problemnancy 35 points 2 hours ago

Very cool!!

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[–] JakeFromImgur 5 points 7 hours ago

True

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[–] Animblenavigator 3 points 3 hours ago

Now if only China/India did the same thing.

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[–] Sablemint -9 points 4 hours ago

Im not sure if that really counts. Wouldn't that be more like Congress doing something good?

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[–] cubbiesnextyr 11 points 2 hours ago

I mean, that's pretty much all a POTUS does unless you're talking foreign affairs. Probably anything good that you thought Obama did was just him signing a bill.

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[–] CrushHazard -47 points 6 hours ago

Again, Trump didn’t actually do this: congress did.

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[–] Met4lFace 46 points 5 hours ago

Both. Congress passes bills to the president, so long as a simple majority in both chambers agree to do so. After that the president chooses whether to sign a bill into law.

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[–] CrushHazard -4 points 2 hours ago

So we can give every president in history credit for everything that congress has done? That's the question.

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 3 points an hour ago

Why does everything have to be extremes with the left? No, not every act of Congress is a credit to that congress's president but that is a very disingenuous way to argue "Trump did none of this".

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[–] CrushHazard 1 point an hour ago

It's not extreme to say that Trump didn't actually pass the legislation. He didn't write any part of it, he didn't argue in favor of it, he didn't whip up support for it....what exactly do you think he deserves credit for? Just signing it?

>No, not every act of Congress is a credit to that congress's president but that is a very disingenuous way to argue "Trump did none of this".

How is it disingenuous? It's what I truly believe, and if you had any intellectual curiosity about my position, you may want to discuss it in more detail instead of painting me as a radical ideologue.

If it matters at all to you, I don't give credit to Obama for the Affordable Care Act either. What's the point of falling for the very American tendency to ascribe things that are accomplished on a ridiculously massive scale of contributions to one person?

This is not to say that the President doesn't have broad executive powers to do things unilaterally, but I'm guessing that all the stuff Trump has done unilaterally is stuff you aren't all that fond of. If that's the case, then take the fucking hint! He's a failure and a terrible person.

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[–] **Bulok** **27 points** 5 hours ago

He could have vetoed

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[–] **CrushHazard** **-2 points** 2 hours ago

So? Does that mean we give him credit for it?

If my subordinates are working on a project, and I say, "I think you got this, go ahead and run with it", and they do a great job, should I get the credit?

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[–] **FogeltheVogel** **-16 points** 5 hours ago

Not being obstructionist is not a nice thing.

That's like complimenting someone for not punching a random person in the face.

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[–] **Lenny_Kravitz2** **11 points** 5 hours ago

That isn't a good example. Vetoing would be like calling the cops to have someone removed from private property, when they are trying to pick up trash there. Not signing would be ignoring the problem, and Signing it would be like having your friends go and help and paying for a rental dumpster to put the trash in.

Those are the three options Trump had to chose from. He chose to sign it because he agreed with it.

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[–] **FogeltheVogel** **1 point** 5 hours ago

What's the difference between Veto and not signing? In both cases it doesn't happen.

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[–] **BasilTarragon** **10 points** 5 hours ago

No, if he doesn't sign it it becomes law, unless it's within a ten day period of Congress closing, then it's a pocket veto.

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[–] **FogeltheVogel** **1 point** 5 hours ago

Then what's the difference between signing and not signing?

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[–] **BasilTarragon** **5 points** 5 hours ago

Politics.

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[–] **GodEmperorBeerus** **4 points** 4 hours ago

Endorsement vs allowance.

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[–] **Yolo_Swagovich** **1 point** an hour ago

Man as much as the left wants to shit on Trump you'd figure they would at least know how the executive and legislative government works at its most basic.

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[–] **bobbyb2222** **4 points** 5 hours ago

like the time I save a little rabbits life by steering out of the way

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[–] **5panks** **11 points** 3 hours ago

Lol this is the problem people have with how Trump is covered in the media, something bad happens? Trump's blah blah blah did this! Something good happens "well congress does the work Trump just rubber stamped it.

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[–] **CrushHazard** **1 point** 2 hours ago

I agree with your assessment of how journalists cover Trump, but I still don't think Trump deserves credit for anything -- good or bad -- that Trump does. Hell, I don't even think Obama deserves credit for Obamacare. The whole branding of Obamacare as Obama's health care plan was a Republican campaign. It ended up backfiring spectacularly of course, but that's neither here nor there.

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[–] **redgreenyellowblu** **5 points** 3 hours ago

Try watching Schoolhouse Rock, "I'm Just A Bill" for understanding on how a bill becomes a law. It should be very helpful. I put the timestamp at 2:42 (where the song explains how a President must sign the bill for it to become a new law) so you don't have to listen through the whole thing.

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[–] **CrushHazard** **1 point** 2 hours ago

I don't need to be educated on how a bill becomes a law. You need to be educated on how politics works.

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[–] **Jovenasoo** **-57 points** 8 hours ago

The Save Our Seas Act? It was a bi partisan bill, he had no reason not to sign. Can't congratulate on what is expected.

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[–] **SpaceForce2020** **51 points** 7 hours ago

A much better deal than the Paris Climate Accord that he was ‘expected’ to sign.

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[–] **eternalgoodmorning (deleted by user)** **4 points** 7 hours ago

Bold of you to assume Trump does anything in way that's "expected"

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[–] **Antishill_canon** **-109 points** 8 hours ago

Trump admin denies global warming and has by far been a force to remove enviromental protections keeping private interests from polluting your air and water

The fucking audacity to paint him as pro enviroment is disgusting bro

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[–] **trumpwinslibscry** **87 points** 8 hours ago

Try reading the words he wrote (and provided links) instead of trying to read his mind lol

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[–] **sdotmills** **79 points** 8 hours ago

This is just a canned absurd anti-Trump response that is not related to the comment at all. Did he sign the bill or not?

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[–] **Where_You_Want_To_Be** **50 points** 8 hours ago

I have actually argued with this same user in the past, their post history is 100% canned responses and only on political threads. Very strange.

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[–] **Angel_Hunter_D** **43 points** 7 hours ago

This is where the NPC meme comes from

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[–] **NeonLightsSRS** **1 point** 59 minutes ago

ifPoliticalView = {Rational}

-exec [Response:54234] ("You're all spreading propaganda")

-variation.val = null

run

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[–] **eternalgoodmorning** **21 points** 7 hours ago

I noticed that too, no flack against him. I feel like it must be depressing to make politics such a huge part of your free time.

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[–] **Hodor124** **10 points** 4 hours ago

Could be a paid minimum wage Moveon.org/ShareBlue-esque employee (a "shill"), a bot, or just a very sad human being.

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[–] **Where_You_Want_To_Be** **5 points** 4 hours ago

Why not all three?

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[–] **eternalgoodmorning** **77 points** 8 hours ago

Where did I say he was pro environment lol. I'm fully aware of his stances on global warming, im pretty sure everyone is. All I said was that he signed a bill to clean up trash in the ocean.

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[–] **fourunner** **52 points** 8 hours ago

These are the kind of comments that make talking about this kind of thing so toxic and quickly divide people. Settle down, breath, actually read the words spoken, then don't interject your thoughts into theirs. After that, then we can have a calm and civil conversation. What would have made your comment better was, "that is awesome, but this guy is so pro industry, I just don't see him as pro environment." That is where a discussion starts. That is where you and I can come to a mutual agreement and start from there.

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[–] **SupremeGentleman7** **44 points** 7 hours ago

This comment completely ignores what the original commenter said. I know orange man is bad and all but try having a conversation with people instead of calling them disgusting and ignoring what they say.

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[–] **SkippnNTrippn 29 points** 5 hours ago

What I think is sick here is even after this guy got called out for clearly misreading what the original commenter was trying to say, he resorts to “brigaders!!!!” Like no dude... rational people

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[–] **politicusmaximus 26 points** 6 hours ago

The US cut it's emissions by more than any other country that signed the shitty PCA... like more than any other country by a mile.

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[–] **ImInterested 5 points** 3 hours ago

Do you have a source?

Search results for US carbon emissions 2018

The results I see say CO2 emissions for the US spiked in 2018.

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[–] **tarverine 20 points** 7 hours ago

Obvious bot is obvious.

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[–] **PadaV4 7 points** 6 hours ago

#OrangeManBad

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[–] **Antishill_canon -2 points** 6 hours ago

The art of looking weak and no wall

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[–] **SpaceForce2020 7 points** 7 hours ago

We didn’t need the Paris Climate Accord and weren’t we the only country to meet (and exceed) our goal anyway? You can call climate change a hoax (they’ve been fear mongering for 100 yrs) and still be environmentally conscious.

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[–] **mostlyconfused9973 6 points** 5 hours ago

Your comment was brigaded with downvotes because you made the illogical error equating saying one positive thing about a person implies saying several positive things. I.e. cleaning up oceans doesn’t not imply he’s an ally to environmental protection.

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[–] **Sealbeater -2 points** 4 hours ago

Yea, just because I beat deals does not mean I beat all animals.

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[–] **HarlandoRED 4 points** 6 hours ago

Actions speak louder than words

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[–] **Lenny_Kravitz2 3 points** 5 hours ago

There are a ton of reasons to be skeptical about global warming. The evidence has been found to be shaped, the models are not accurate all (except the Russian one is the most accurate, ironically). There are many scientists that disagree with the theorized outcome.

We know that global warming is happening. It isn't happening at the pace the media and the models tell us and we don't know if the effects of global warming would even be negative (or if it is man-made).

Scientists from various fields such at meteorology to climatology have noted that the planet is currently getting greener. Areas where vegetation was sparce, is starting to become fuller. That is due to the the increase in Carbon Dioxide.

Also, there is strong disagreement on whether or not humans contributed significantly to it or if the planet is changing on it's own.

Basically the data isn't in yet. The planet is billions of years old and we have only be doing detailed records for less then a century. The data isn't reliable (as seen from the models being waaay off) and a lot of the estimations have not come to pass.

So President Trump isn't wrong in this area. Why tank the economy on something that is far from being a sure thing? Especially since there are a lot of dissenting scientists that disagree with the impact statements that have come out.

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[–] **Yare-YareDaze 10 points** 3 hours ago

Wasn't it something like 98 percent of scientists agree that it's real, but yeah i guess you know better

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[–] **SecretAgendaMan 8 points** 2 hours ago

Not that I agree with their opinion, but

> We know that global warming is happening.

It's right there in their comment.

Their argument isn't that global warming/climate change isn't real.

Their argument is about the severity of the problem, our impact on climate change, and the actions we should or should not take to combat it.

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[–] nuclearfarts99 6 points 2 hours ago

Climate denying shit at +4 is how you know a thread is getting brigaded.

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[–] eternalgoodmorning 1 point an hour ago

Can I refund my golds and platinums please lol

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[–] contestedhuman 5 points 3 hours ago

This is the most reasonable sounding bullshit I've ever read.

We have the data. It's bad.

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[–] eternalgoodmorning (deleted by user) 1 point 8 hours ago

Where did I say he was pro environment lol. I know all the shit he's done to bash global warming, I watch the news, I see his tweets, its fucking terrifying and I hate it. Literally all I did was say he signed a bill to clean ocean waters. That is a fact. Not one (1) time did I say "hmm yes daddy trump LOVES the earth and believes in global warming." Maybe you should try to be a little more open minded about things that are in fact, not an opinion.

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[–] Hodor124 -2 points 4 hours ago

Holy brainwashed leftist unable to create independent, critical thought, Batman!

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[–] KrystalFayeO 1935 points 13 hours ago

He legalized the growing of hemp.

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[–] NeurotoxEVE 412 points 10 hours ago

Which is something liberals have wanted for awhile.

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[–] Apostatesteve 286 points 9 hours ago

The. Why didn't obama do it when he had the votes

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[–] ArandomDane 208 points 8 hours ago

The simple answer: Change in political landscape.

2008: To legalize hemp would require strong arming congress to include it in a farm bill. Then weathering the attacks of hemp being a gateway plant to growing the devil smoke.

This would have risked Obama's healthcare plan.

2018: Weed is mainstream now, so it is laughable that a plant with the only crime being looking like weed is banned. So Congress made a bipartisan omnibus farm bill including legalizing hemp.

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[–] Goasupreme 27 points 5 hours ago

So why did this happen at the end of 2016 https://news.yahoo.com/dea-cbd-oil-declared-schedule-195903711.html

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[–] ArandomDane 3 points 4 hours ago

Because money is speech. Aka, legislation is for sale.

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[–] DurDurDurkistan 1 point 37 minutes ago

Because Hillary Clinton and Big Pharma go together like Bill Clinton and cheap floosies.

(and Hillary just tells Obama to look pretty so she can run the show)

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[–] Wdeflect 18 points 7 hours ago

I love rational posts like yours

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[–] RockmanNeo 14 points 7 hours ago

What about 2012-2016?

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[–] ArandomDane 21 points 6 hours ago

After the first midterm Republicans held the house and they perfected obstructionism.

Below is a link to the bill that basically makes up the help part of the bill Trump signed. It was proposed 3 times between 2012 and 2016. It would most likely have passed, but it never made it to the floor...

https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/112/s3501

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[–] Dolurn 7 points 4 hours ago

Because Mitch McConnel's sole goal was the obstruct.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle 6 points 4 hours ago

You mean when Cocaine Mitch wouldn't hold votes for pretty much... anything?

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[–] artiessobriety -13 points 4 hours ago

Because Obama's a globalist puppet and liberals will always have an excuse why he did nothing to benefit America.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle 13 points 4 hours ago

Orr..... because the bill was thrown up three times and Cocaine Mitch refused to allow it to have a vote in the Senate?

Comprehension is tough for red hat dumbasses.

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[–] 314159265358979326 -1 points 6 hours ago

> looking like weed

Hemp is cannabis grown for fibres while marijuana is cannabis grown as a drug. Same species. Most hemp has no THC, but it's not a requirement for the definition.

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[–] theharrypodcast (deleted by user) -6 points 6 hours ago

2012: Obama is still in charge, has a majority in both houses, and legalizing hemp is a very popular idea. Still doesn't even attempt it.

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[–] ArandomDane 12 points 6 hours ago

>2012: Obama is still in charge, has a majority in both houses,

You are mistaken.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/112th_United_States_Congress

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 59 points 7 hours ago

It was passed begrudgingly in as an update in the farm bill. McConnell has blocked votes from both sides on bills to leave marijuana up to the state's. In fairness, Obama was probably not passionate about this issue and Trump is pro hemp and marijuana. It's one of his few sensible positions.

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[–] Zzyzzy_Zzyzzyson 25 points 7 hours ago

Then why doesn't Trump federally legalize it? I can't say I'd like him, but I'd hate him a bit less if he did that because you can't hate people while stoned.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 13 points 5 hours ago

Because he lacks that authority. Congress writes the laws.

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[–] GoldenGonzo 11 points 6 hours ago

> Then why doesn't Trump federally legalize it?

One step at a time.

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[–] librarian2016 9 points 5 hours ago

It's up to congress to do that. The President could do it by executive order, but then the next president could un-do it. He considers it a state's issue.

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[–] **Sharptoe1** 6 points 6 hours ago

I don't know if he can legalize it by executive order. I think that's the kind of thing that needs to go through the whole congress/senate process.

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[–] **tam215** 6 points 5 hours ago

Executive orders don't legalize things anyway; they are an order to the executive branch on how to enforce certain laws. When people say, "Why doesn't *insert president* legalize this?" They need to understand that the president doesn't have the power to *legalize* anything. They can push for certain things to be accomplished in Congress, but can't directly say "This is legal cause I want it." Fhe Congress is the one with the power to determine whether something should be illegal or not. The president can veto whatever bill they wish, though.

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[–] **makeshift98** 2 points 5 hours ago

He could order the justice department to do nothing on drug weed related cases. That would have more or less the same effect on the federal level.

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[–] **librarian2016** 5 points 5 hours ago

He already has. Unless it's part of a larger case involving crime or illegally bringing it over the border. But possession of small amounts for personal use are not a focus of the feds.

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[–] **Xvash2** 3 points 6 hours ago

Not a legal expert but isn't the scheduling of drugs done by the agencies under the executive branch?

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[–] **Sharptoe1** 2 points 6 hours ago

I think they handle some of it, but the Controlled Substances Act explicitly lists marijuana (spelled marihuana in the document I linked) as Schedule 1 (under the C sub-heading). Based on some googling (I found the link to the Controlled Substance Act here), Congress lets the DEA control scheduling of drugs in most cases, but they can also change the scheduling themselves, so if congress didn't sign off on the change, they could undo it.

I'm no legal expert either. I'm just speculating as to why it hasn't been done yet.

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[–] **Bolsheviking** 5 points 5 hours ago

Trump does seem to genuinely believe in the autonomy of individual states when it comes to matters that don't have an effect outside the state. Ergo California is evil for protecting illegal aliens and not clearing brush before fires, as these have an effect for the entire federation, but if Nevada wants to lower its speed limits then that's not something the federal government needs to involve itself in.

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[–] **xfuzzzygames** 2 points 3 hours ago

I think the sensible thing to do is to remove marijuana entirely from the controlled substances act and then allow states to legislate as they see fit from there. If a state wants to make it illegal and the people there support that then I say go ahead and do it. I won't visit or live in that state personally, but they have that right.

As it stands now, if anyone were to take the legalization of marijuana in any state to the supreme court, the court would have no option but to declare the state law unconstitutional due to the supremacy clause which states that a state cannot enact a law that contradicts a federal law.

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[–] **Comeandseemeforonce** 5 points 6 hours ago

Wait til we ramp up for 2020 😊

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[–] **Judge_of_Java** 4 points 6 hours ago

>Then why doesn’t Trump federally legalize it?

Because this isn't a monarchy?

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[–] **xfuzzzygames** 2 points 3 hours ago

Things take time, unfortunately. Just look at my home state of NY. Governor Cuomo made it a central point of his campaign to legalize weed because it was necessary for reelection, especially against his pro weed opponent Cynthia Nixon. 62% of the state supports it. He wanted it included in the April budget. But it won't be in the April budget, not because *he* doesn't want it, but because Carl Heastie, the state Assembly Speaker doesn't feel they can iron out all the details of regulation and address the legal and economic impacts of it. I'd wager even if Trump openly announced he'd be willing to sign into law a bill that federally legalized marijuana, it wouldn't be voted on until after 2020. Marijuana will only be federally legalized when a president runs with that as one of his major campaign promises, and the congressional majority leaders are in agreement.

Now, he can try an executive order but there's a problem with expanding the power of the executive order and democrats are seeing it right now. Whether you love or hate Obama, he obviously expanded the power of the executive order. That's not an opinion it's a fact. Now, that level of power through executive order is available to Trump. If Trump expands the power of the executive order (and it's left

unchecked or upheld by the supreme court) then all of a sudden that level of power is available to *insert name of next democrat president here*.

While it's unfortunate that it takes so long to get legislation through in this case, overall the process being slow is good because it gives the public time to react and tell our representatives how we feel (see SOPA), and gives businesses time to react and make changes based on new legislation that may help or hinder them. For example if the writing is on the wall that marijuana will be legal in 2 years, farmers will adjust accordingly, companies like Bayer (who own what was Monsanto) will begin research on how to make the best weed possible and control THC levels perfectly.

All in all while it sounds simple, it's a long complex system that takes time to get things done, but it's for the best that it is the way it is.

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[–] **WheatgrassEnema 2 points** 6 hours ago

> Trump is pro hemp and marijuana.

Eh, not so sure about that one. He appointed Jeff Sessions as AG.

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[–] **lamnotarobotchicken 4 points** 5 hours ago

And then hated everything he did. Trump has consistently been pro marijuana. I hate the man, don't get me wrong, but he has.

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[–] **djm19 0 points** 4 hours ago

He hated Sessions because Sessions refused to not recuse himself. He had plenty of background on Session's views. He didn't anticipate his reticent attitude to not recuse.

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[–] **lamnotarobotchicken 1 point** 3 hours ago

True.

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[–] **CrushHazard 1 point** 6 hours ago

So congress actually did this, not Trump.

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[–] **lamnotarobotchicken 1 point** 5 hours ago

Yes. Though I'm sure he didn't oppose it.

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[–] **CrushHazard 1 point** 2 hours ago

If we are going to give credit to politicians for "not opposing" something, then we are in deep shit.

Also, it is entirely possible for a politician to sign a bill or vote in favor of a bill because of horse trading even when they are against it.

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[–] **xfuzzzygames 1 point** 3 hours ago

He passed it because he signed the document. Without his signature, it would have been kicked back to them to either change and then vote on again, or try to get a 70% majority on.

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[–] **CrushHazard 1 point** 2 hours ago

If he had nothing to do with the legislation other than signing it, then he shouldn't get credit for it.

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[–] **xfuzzzygames 1 point** 2 hours ago

Then no president gets any credit for any legislation.

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[–] **CrushHazard 0 points** 2 hours ago

I suppose if you think in black and white, that would be the only other option.

There is such thing as giving someone an appropriate amount of credit, you know.

How much credit does the catcher get for a no-hitter? Not enough perhaps, but only an idiot would say that a no-hitter is the catcher's greatest accomplishment.

But all evidence seems to point to Trump being uniquely disengaged from the legislative process, so I'd say that attributing legislation to Trump is more like attributing a no-hitter to the right fielder.

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[–] **xfuzzzygames 1 point** an hour ago

Presidents don't introduce legislation. They're just the final and most important vote. Trump looked at that legislation, and thought it was a good idea so he signed it. You not liking him doesn't change how the government works.

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[–] **CrushHazard 1 point** 31 minutes ago

First of all, I'm not at all convinced that Trump looked at the legislation considering he doesn't read and hasn't shown any meaningful capacity for absorbing information (https://www.google.com/url?

sa=i&source=web&cd=&ved=2ahUKEwj92PLL9pvgAhURWqwKHUhLCa0QzPwBegQIARAC&url=http first-post-text-president%2F549794%2F&psig=AOvVaw1McnSqz5KfuXLoml5s36bm&ust=1549158319401890).

I don't give a shit about Trump on a personal level. I can't "like" or "not like" someone I've never met. I can only judge him based on his public words and actions, and I believe anyone who does so objectively would determine that he has little if any interest in the political or legislative process. I welcome you to produce concrete evidence to the contrary.

Finally, I'm not sure you have any insight into how executives operate in any organization. Rubber stamping things may be "important" in a hypothetical sense, but it is not just possible but extremely common for an executive to play no meaningful role in actions that he/she approves and therefore, in my mind at least, deserve none of the credit for it.

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[–] **Fabrial_Soulcaster 2 points** 8 hours ago

During that time when he had the votes he was still wary of moderate voters and looking to be a two term president. Moderates were heavily split in the idea of anything relating to marijuana, which loads of people mistakened hemp as some kind of similar product and CBD just being some kind of shadowy similarity.

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[–] **xfuzzzygames 1 point** 3 hours ago

Actually, moderates aren't split on it. According to the latest Pew poll on the subject there are only 3 groups where the majority don't support legalization: Republicans with 48% support (of which I'd bet the vast majority of moderates reside), white evangelical protestants with 43% support, and hispanics with with 48% support. Also, 59% of independents that lean Republican support legalization and 75% of independents that lean toward the democrat side support legalization.

Moderates on both side are definitely in support of legalization with a pretty heavy majority. Those independents are the people that swing elections and this is a winning issue for that group.

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[–] **djm19 1 point** 4 hours ago

Because he didn't have the votes?

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[–] **squiznard 1 point** 4 hours ago

To be fair he didn't come into a country where almost half the country had legal medical marijuana.

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[–] **KerbalFactorioLeague 1 point** 2 hours ago

Because he was focusing on getting healthcare for the entire country?

Also https://www.huffingtonpost.com/jennifer-m-granholm/debunking-the-myth-obamas_b_1929869.html

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[–] **high_larry_us -2 points** 7 hours ago

Because Obama couldn't be the first black president *and* legalize hemp. Looks too bad.

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[–] **Spa_5_Fitness_Camp -10 points** 8 hours ago

Because he was focused on actual policy for the long term good of the nation, like healthcare.

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[–] **hilboggins 14 points** 8 hours ago

You talking about that bullshit policy that fined me $700 every year for not being able to afford a $150 monthly bill?

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[–] **rxvterm 2 points** 7 hours ago

Do you want a real lesson on why the ACA is structured this way? Or are you one of those people who think they have a god-given right to create a tax burden on everyone else when they have an unexpected medical expenditure?

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[–] **hilboggins 4 points** 7 hours ago

I'm one of those people who rather we not have insurance monopolies in each state, require up front prices for all medical services, ban corporate kickbacks to doctors, and the pursuit of competition in the marketplace.

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[–] **psybrnaut 6 points** 6 hours ago

I'm for all of those too. Sadly the ACA did none of them.

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[–] **rxvterm 1 point** 5 hours ago

Those weren't the problems the ACA was trying to solve.

The ACA was incredibly successful at solving the problems it was designed for.

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[–] psybrnaut 3 points 4 hours ago

Yes, like crashing the private insurance market to pave the way for universal single payer

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[–] rxvterm 1 point an hour ago

I'm not sure there is any data to support the claim that the ACA "crashed the private insurance market."

I think it's quite the opposite: after all of the parts of the ACA finally kicked in and the market adjusted itself to the new regulations I think the private insurance market has been fairing quite nicely for years now...

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[–] rxvterm 0 points 5 hours ago

You want more out of the healthcare system, but you demand that you not pay for it?

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[–] hilboggins 2 points 4 hours ago

Where did i say i wanted it for free?

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[–] rxvterm 1 point an hour ago

Did you not start by admitting you refused to pay an extra $90/mo for insurance? You're demanding a better insurance market than the one that's not even worth $90.

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[–] Spa_5_Fitness_Camp 0 points 7 hours ago

Ah, the part that the GOP added? No, I'm talking about him investing time to at least try and fix our fucked up system. As opposed to playing golf.

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[–] hilboggins 7 points 7 hours ago

The system that fucked things up more than it fixed? Jokes on you if you think we actually like the GOP. Also, guess the left wing media never reported on the new Association Health Plans.

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[–] Spa_5_Fitness_Camp 0 points 7 hours ago

If you don't like them stop voting for them.

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[–] hilboggins 5 points 6 hours ago

We did.. Hence the one GOP outsider became president and we primaried as many as we could in 2018.

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[–] Spa_5_Fitness_Camp 1 point 6 hours ago

So you voted for worse ones? Nice

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[–] GetBTFO 157 points 9 hours ago

Liberals have been screeching for many many years about all the benefits of hemp and CBD, and how it's terrible that it's against the law. Trump legalized it, and you didn't hear a peep from them about it.

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[–] UniversalFist 118 points 9 hours ago

Because Orange Man Bad.

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[–] orangemanrealbad 54 points 9 hours ago

Yes he is.

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[–] remarkless 15 points 7 hours ago

More like: it was reported by many outlets, but legalizing hemp isn't notable for much of anything. Plus it was buried deep within the Farm Bill.

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[–] LiquidRitz 1 point 4 hours ago

Buried by who?

The media.

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[–] remarkless 3 points 3 hours ago

By the shutdown, by a ton of other stories.

I don't mean buried as in not-reported, it was buried by it not being fucking important enough for a parade down Pennsylvania Avenue.

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[–] LeagueAdmin 1 point 2 hours ago

Typical NPC

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[–] UniversalFist 1 point 2 hours ago

You're welcome! That one is a little distasteful to me as well tbh.

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[–] mynamesyow19 -22 points 9 hours ago

Cant think of anything more dumbly pathetic than this "Orange Man" shit that marginalizes a traitorous monster into a meme just so the Right can have something manageable-ly small to be able to wrap their head around when "trying" to engage in actual logical discussion.

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[–] UniversalFist 16 points 9 hours ago

Try that again except this time in English.

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[–] brownliquid 13 points 8 hours ago

We demand smaller words for simpler minds!

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[–] FormerPresidentSears 10 points 7 hours ago

Well not all of us can grasp such fine diction as "dumbly pathetic."

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[–] Roodyrooster 2 points 8 hours ago

Your post is actually funny. I don't think it applies here, I'm pretty sure the post you're responding too isn't criticizing the size of the words but the order in which they are arranged.

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[–] username1824 -10 points 9 hours ago

Stop trying to make people look stupid for taking Trump at face value: he's a fucking braindead lunatic. You should support people for seeing reality for what it is, not deny it and try to belittle them.

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[–] UniversalFist 12 points 9 hours ago

Are you a bot? Who are you talking to? Your response has no relation to my comment.

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[–] Kermit_Z_Frog 5 points 9 hours ago

His Trump boner got the best of him.

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[–] cottonstokes 1 point 9 hours ago

Didn't he just say it simpler?

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[–] mynamesyow19 -12 points 8 hours ago

Here ill put it in a language you can better understand comrade !

Я полагаю, что вы должны приготовить обычную пищу для младенцев ... YA polagayu, chto vy dolzhny prigotovit' obychnuyu pishchu dlya mladentsev ...

лучше ?

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[–] UniversalFist 13 points 8 hours ago

I never understood why communists mock Trump with anti-communist rhetoric. Which is it?

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[–] Randomd0g 2 points 8 hours ago

/r/dota2 is leaking

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[–] NeurotoxEVE 3 points 7 hours ago

>traitorous monster

Did something new happen in the Mueller probe that I didn't know about? Source please.

> meme just so the Right can have something manageable enough to be able to wrap their head around when "trying" to engage in actual logical discussion.

Oh please, the left created a meme with political correctness/safe spaces that haunted us for almost the last decade. People lost their jobs, some rightfully so, but even people who didn't deserve it. For example, Mozilla Firefox CEO (https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/04/04/mozilla-ceo-resignation-free-speech/7328759/). Just because he donated to a platform that most vocal liberals didn't like, forced him to resign because of it.

> But I guess you have to puree up normal food for infants too...

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[–] ChronicBitRot 2 points 7 hours ago

> People lost their jobs, some rightfully so, but even people who didn't deserve it. For example, Mozilla Firefox CEO...

That's weird, I thought liberals were supposed to be the ones who hated the free market and conservatives were supposed to be the ones who supported "voting with your wallet".

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[–] emporercrunch 1 point 7 hours ago

You know, there's really no evidence of Trump colluding with Russia, except for the

Flynn Thing
Manafort Thing
Tillerson Thing
Sessions Thing
Kushner Thing
Wray Thing
Morgan, Lewis, & Bockius "Russian Law Firm of the Year" Thing
Carter Page Thing
Roger Stone Thing
Felix Sater Thing
Boris Epshteyn Thing
Rosneft Thing
Gazprom Thing (see above)
Sergey Gorkov banker Thing
Azerbaijan Thing
"I Love Putin" Thing
Lavrov Thing
Sergey Kislyak Thing
Oval Office Thing
Gingrich Kislyak Phone Calls Thing
Russian Business Interest Thing
Emoluments Clause Thing
Alex Schnaider Thing
Hack of the DNC Thing
Guccifer 2.0 Thing
Mike Pence "I don't know anything" Thing
Russians Mysteriously Dying Thing
Trump's public request to Russia to hack Hillary's email Thing
Trump house sale for $100 million at the bottom of the housing bust to the Russian fertilizer king Thing
Russian fertilizer king's plane showing up in Concord, NC during Trump rally campaign Thing
Nunes sudden flight to the White House in the night Thing
Nunes personal investments in the Russian winery Thing
Cyprus bank Thing
Trump not Releasing his Tax Returns Thing
the Republican Party's rejection of an amendment to require Trump to show his taxes thing
Election Hacking Thing
GOP platform change to the Ukraine Thing
Steele Dossier Thing
Sally Yates Can't Testify Thing
Intelligence Community's Investigative Reports Thing
Trump reassurance that the Russian connection is all "fake news" Thing
Chaffetz not willing to start an Investigation Thing
Chaffetz suddenly deciding to go back to private life in the middle of an investigation Thing
Appointment of Pam Bondi who was bribed by Trump in the Trump University scandal appointed to head the investigation Thing
The White House going into cover-up mode, refusing to turn over the documents related to the hiring and firing of Flynn Thing
Chaffetz and White House blaming the poor vetting of Flynn on Obama Thing
Poland and British intelligence gave information regarding the hacking back in 2015 to Paul Ryan and he didn't do anything Thing

Agent MI6 following the money thing
Trump team KNEW about Flynn's involvement but hired him anyway Thing
Let's Fire Comey Thing
Election night Russian trademark gifts Things
Russian diplomatic compound electronic equipment destruction Thing
let's give back the diplomatic compounds back to the Russians Thing
Let's Back Away From Cuba Thing
Donny Jr met with Russians Thing
Donny Jr emails details "Russian Government's support for Trump" Thing
Trump's secret second meeting with his boss Putin Thing

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **1 point** 7 hours ago

Nice copypasta.

Now, point to the one that proves collusion.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **1 point** 7 hours ago

Wow impressive, you read through all that, you're amazing. You're on the wrong talking point, Trump's legal team already admitted to collusion.

The next talking point you should be on is that collusion isn't illegal.

And for that I give you:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yM1muPb5TTc

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **2 points** 7 hours ago

>Wow impressive, you read through all that, you're amazing.

Nope. I read the list and asked if you could point out the one that proves collusion.

I ask this because the top ones (Flynn, Manafort, and others) are process crimes or other past crimes that have nothing to do with Russia on behalf of the Trump campaign. So, that list is off to a bad start.

Please, I'm willing to read the whole article...share with me the most egregious proof of collusion in the list above.

>Trump's legal team already admitted to collusion.

Would you source this, please?

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[–] **emporercrunch** **0 points** 7 hours ago

https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-45079377

I've provided tons of sources and you're arguing in bad faith. It's obvious you didn't read them if you label those things as process crimes and there's no human way you read through that information before replying. "Process crimes" is phrase popping up in social media sourced by Russian propaganda talking points, it's weird language that Americans don't regularly use and telltale sign of a FAKE NEWS provider or victim. This information isn't for you it's for people to be aware of what's happening. Russia is continuing to spread propaganda aided by Trump's refusal to impose sanctions and acknowledge the findings of all our intelligence agencies and allied foreign intelligence agencies. Even Republicans have turned on Trump after his shameful performance in Helsinki and his continued refusal to allow staff or note takers to be privy to private meetings with Putin.

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[–] **NeurotoxEVE** **1 point** 6 hours ago

So the article you provided let alone doesn't say Donald Trump Jr broke any laws, at thats the question of debate.

Literally the article states:

>It is common for US politicians to research their opponents during a campaign.

The article is questioning it was within the campaigning laws. Which the article states from legal experts

> However, legal experts say that Mr Trump Jr could fall foul of campaign finance laws, which prohibit accepting anything of value from a foreign government or foreign national.

So you're telling a rich kid is just taking up bribes from Russians to get information on a opponent. Doesn't make sense. Why would the Russians give Donald Trump Jr for a simple inquiry on a political opponent.

Trump Team says,

>The Trump team has argued that Mr Trump Jr ultimately did not receive any damaging information about Mrs Clinton at the meeting.

and

>One of Mr Trump's lawyers, Jay Sekulow, said on Sunday that the meeting had not broken any laws.
>
>"The question is what law, statute or rule or regulation's been violated? Nobody's pointed to one," Mr Sekulow told ABC News.

On the other hand is the counterargument ...

> Some analysts say that by having the meeting at all, Mr Trump Jr broke the law.

but the article doesn't describe what other than one that was stated above.

Oh, here's something.. so nothing might happened at all? Nothing came of it?

> But others say it is unclear as no information reportedly exchanged hands at the meeting.

Number 1 it never said anything about Trump's team admitting to collusion in this article, do you even read the article itself? Number 2, This article has zero evidence of collusion. It's just reporting on somethings that's really insignificant.

I mean if you really want to battle it out Left vs Right I can show you multiple instances of the Clintons ACTUALLY breaking campaigning laws but absolutely nothing happened to them, not even a slap on the wrist.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wD-7Tv2RET0 - Former President Bill Clinton within 150 feet of a polling place, that's a violation of Campaigning law. Before you state that shows me more than 150 feet of a polling place, you cant see it. We'll there's other videos of him INSIDE the polling place.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **1 point** 6 hours ago

>It is common for US politicians to research their opponents during a campaign.

Oh good, you've moved onto the collusion is legal talking point, took you a while to get there.

Asking a foreign power is not the same, there's clear legal guidelines for it.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/volokh-conspiracy/wp/2017/07/12/can-it-be-a-crime-to-do-opposition-research-by-asking-foreigners-for-information/?utm_term=.1e4f1cdaf71d

When Al Gore's Campaign Received Illegal Election Material, He Turned It in to the FBI, because he's not a piece of shit America hating criminal.

https://www.hollywoodreporter.com/news/al-gore-stephen-colbert-trump-election-campaign-1022007

Didn't take long to get to Clinton, lmao. Let me ask you, the right believes Hillary ran a pedophile ring out of a pizza shop basement (that had no basement). Does that mean in your view its ok if Trump ran a pedophile ring, because in your mind Hillary did?

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[–] **NeurotoxEVE** **2 points** 6 hours ago

Still not reading your own articles I see, it specifically states.

>Foreigners who aren't U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents, the argument goes, are barred from providing candidates any "thing of value" in connection with any American election campaign.

The prior article you link said that Donald Trump Jr did not get damaging information on the Hillary Clinton.
No evidence, no claim.

> because he's not a piece of shit America hating criminal.

Whoa there, that's a broad claim do you have evidence that Trump is a piece of shit America hating criminal? He said his platform is America first that doesn't seem to fit the description of someone hating America. Maybe he has a different view of American than you and I but that doesn't make any less American.

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Nice hyperbole, I don't think it's ever 'ok' for someone to run a pedophile ring. I don't give a shit who was doing it, it will not be viewed as something normal in my eyes. Seems like a lot of that kinda stuff comes out of Hollywood though who deeply aligns with Liberals though.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Do you support Roy Moore?

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **1 point** 5 hours ago

Thank you for posting a link.

As I had anticipated, nothing in that article proves collusion. Here is an excerpt by the BBC, themselves:

>Under US law, obstruction cases require proving "corrupt intent" - so while Mr Trump's tweet does not prove anything illegal, it could serve as evidence of the president's intent.

Speculative, at best...

>I've provided tons of sources and you're arguing in bad faith.

I'm making a case and you're becoming belligerent when asked to back your claim instead of just pasting an old comment you found on another unnamed sub.

>"Process crimes" is phrase popping up in social media sourced by Russian propaganda talking points

There it is...! It only took this long to dismiss something through your favorite strawman pariah. It really is getting old.

>it's weird language that Americans don't regularly use and telltale sign of a FAKE NEWS provider or victim.

New words pop up all the time in this age of immediate information. 3 years ago, I had no idea what was a 'whataboutism'.

Stop using strawman arguments.

>Russia is continuing to spread propaganda aided by Trump's refusal to impose sanctions

You mean these sanctions?

Or maybe these?

Which one of these imposed 'major' sanctions as reported by NBC are not actually imposed?

>and acknowledge the findings of all our intelligence agencies and allied foreign intelligence agencies.

Please avoid the arbitrary points and share one of these 'findings'. So far, that list had proven to be not much more than a copypasta intended to overwhelm the reader into submission.

>Even Republicans have turned on Trump after his shameful performance in Helsinki and his continued refusal to allow staff or note takers to be privy to private meetings with Putin.

Private meetings are a thing. Obama met privately with Putin a number of times. These talking points are manufactured conspiracies and are spread via malintended disinformation media campaigns.

Also, Dems 'turn' to Repubs just the same. But that's another discussion, altogether.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **2 points** 5 hours ago

lmao, literal delusion.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/02/01/who-donald-trump-jr-talked-before-setting-up-trump-tower-meeting/?utm_term=.625b3f4b7fd7

No, these sanctions:

https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-russia-sanctions-trump-no-new-congress-law-election-hacking-intervention-putin-kremlin-a8184866.html

https://www.cnn.com/2019/01/27/politics/trump-admin-lifts-sanctions-oleg-deripaska/index.html

https://www.salon.com/2019/01/30/with-sanctions-lifted-trump-transition-member-gets-board-position-on-russian-oligarchs-company/

https://www.washingtonpost.com/us-policy/2019/01/17/rebuke-trump-administration-more-than-republicans-break-ranks-oppose-treasury-plan-lift-sanctions-against-putin-ally/?utm_term=.baf9578da378

You know whataboutism so well now you use it every chance you get, good job comrade!

The rape loving pedophile electing right spent over two decades, millions of tax payer funds, hundreds of man hours and testimony investigating Hillary to find nothing. She's either the greatest criminal master mind that ever lived that also couldn't rig a few votes to win an election or Republicans have the most incompetent investigators that ever lived or it's all bullshit projection deflection from actual crimes committed by the America hating right. Since Republican Mueller investigation of Trump's and his gang of traitors has paid for itself (literally through assets claimed) on Manafort alone I'm guessing it's not the incompetent investigators part.

I'm having a good time. Every day Mueller gets another traitor working for Trump, Trump only hires the best, right? LMAO. Maybe Trump's innocent, but whoever this individual one mentioned in Mueller indictments is royally fucked.

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **1 point** 4 hours ago

>https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/02/01/who-donald-trump-jr-talked-before-setting-up-trump-tower-meeting/?utm_term=.625b3f4b7fd7

I'm happy to read this, but what am I supposed to get out of this?

>EVEN REPUBLICANS THINK HE'S A TRAITOR:
>https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2018/07/16/republican-lawmakers-call-trump-putin-meeting-shameful/788752002/

Paul Ryan and John McCain are never-trumpers. They can hardly be used to speak 'Republicans' as a whole when regarding Trump.

>No, these sanctions: > >https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-russia-sanctions-trump-no-new-congress-law-election-hacking-intervention-putin-kremlin-a8184866.html > >https://www.cnn.com/2019/01/27/politics/trump-admin-lifts-sanctions-oleg-deripaska/index.html > >https://www.salon.com/2019/01/30/with-sanctions-lifted-trump-transition-member-gets-board-position-on-russian-oligarchs-company/ > >https://www.washingtonpost.com/us-policy/2019/01/17/rebuke-trump-administration-more-than-republicans-break-ranks-oppose-treasury-plan-lift-sanctions-against-putin-ally/?utm_term=.baf9578da378

>You know whataboutism so well now you use it every chance you get, good job comrade!

It was an example to show the natural evolution of language and not some Russian conspiracy to change English.

>The rape loving pedophile electing right spent over two decades, millions of tax payer funds, hundreds of man hours and testimony investigating Hillary to find nothing. She's either the greatest criminal master mind that ever lived that also couldn't rig a few votes to win an election or Republicans have the most incompetent investigators that ever lived or it's all bullshit projection deflection from actual crimes committed by the America hating right.

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>Since Republican Mueller investigation of Trump's and his gang of traitors has paid for itself (literally through assets claimed) on Manafort alone I'm guessing it's not the incompetent investigators part.

The investigation is supposed to be about Russian collusion by the Trump campaign. As I have pointed out above, none of the indictments have had anything to do with Trump as conspiring with the Russian state.

Manafort's indictments were economic crimes from before the campaign. Why is that unrelated indictment on your copypasta list?

>I'm having a good time.

Me too.

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[–] **emporercrunch 2 points** 4 hours ago

womp womp

>The investigation is supposed to be about Russian collusion by the Trump campaign

https://www.foxnews.com/politics/how-paul-manafort-is-connected-to-trump-russia-investigation

I guess the CIA and FBI are never Trumpers too right? All those damn Democrat CIA operatives:

https://www.businessinsider.com/cia-reportedly-went-into-panic-mode-during-trump-putin-helsinki-meeting-2018-12

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/01/12/why-fbi-mightve-thought-trump-could-be-working-russia/

And all of the UK, they're just fake news too right?

https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-44852812

All these other Republicans must just be Democrats in disguise right, lmao:

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/paloma/daily-202/2018/07/17/daily-202-trump-s-helsinki-performance-is-a-final-straw-for-some-republicans-others-are-just-disappointed/5b4d419d1b326b1e646953ff/?utm_term=.6e5e759acdc7

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies 1 point** 4 hours ago

>https://www.foxnews.com/politics/how-paul-manafort-is-connected-to-trump-russia-investigation

Do you even read your own articles? This is an excerpt from the link above.

>The charges against Manafort and Gates don’t relate to allegations of misconduct during Trump’s campaign.

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What does this prove? Some CIA official said people gasped at something Trump did. This is not news. I'm sorry.

>https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/01/12/why-fbi-mightve-thought-trump-could-be-working-russia/

'Might've'

It is overwhelmingly known that WaPo leans heavily anti-Trump. Nevertheless, this *analysis* states the very same fact:

>Practically speaking, this may not mean a whole lot.

But that doesn't stop him from mostly soeculating for the rest of the piece.

I ask again, are you honestly reading the articles you are sharing? Are you reading them critically or simply as unquestionably factual.

>And all of the UK, they're just fake news too right? >
>https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-44852812

He said he believed Putin's word at the time. Does that spell collusion? We can go back to the sanctions he's placed on Russia and the polarizing position on Venezuela to counterpoint.

>All these other literal Trump supporters must just be Democrats in disguise right, lmao:

>https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/paloma/daily-202/2018/07/17/daily-202-trump-s-helsinki-performance-is-a-final-straw-for-some-republicans-others-are-just-disappointed/5b4d419d1b326b1e646953ff/?utm_term=.6e5e759acdc7

Again, WaPo. Nevertheless, I don't know what this proves. He does something unpopular. I ask again....

Where's the collusion?

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[–] **emporercrunch** **1 point** 4 hours ago

At this point you're literally ignoring the content of the posts, thanks for admitting you have no argument, enjoy the upcoming arrests, I know I will.

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **1 point** 3 hours ago

>The WaPo article displays Tweets by prominent Republicans criticizing Trump? Is that fake news to you?

That article is about politicians criticizing Trump. I'm asking where is the collusion.

>At this point you're literally ignoring the content of the posts, thanks for admitting you have no argument, enjoy the upcoming arrests, I know I will.

Who's getting arrested? And for what?

Also, where's the collusion? Maybe look at your copypasta and pick another.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **1 point** 3 hours ago

The post in WaPo was on the topic Republicans and Trump supporters abandoning Trump for his publicly treasonous performance and you know it.

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **1 point** 3 hours ago

>The post in WaPo was on the topic Republicans and Trump supporters abandoning Trump for his publicly treasonous performance and you know it.

What is treasonous about meeting with Putin? Even so, you're still not reading your own sources.

Here...From the article:

>The most outspoken critics of the president on Monday were conservatives who were already Never Trumpers or retiring members of Congress who have little or nothing to lose.

>We already have Flynn, Cohen, Manafort. Trump case is being handled like the mob, it's been described as this many times, he's a criminal organization, chip away at his underlings and hit the boss at the end. Flynn,

Manafort, Cohen, Papdopulous, Stone, literal Russians have been indicted. It's a big list, don't you love justice? As I said I think Don Jr and Kushner are coming up soon.

Are you not reading my posts? The Flynn, Manafort, and Stone indictments have nothing to do with Trump's campaign.

Manafort's indictment is on money laundering that is independent of the campaign. Flynn is about a lie he told which he's defended based on the circumstances of the interview. Stone forgot to say something exculpatory.

Once again, none of these have anything to do with Trump's campaign.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **1 point** 2 hours ago

> treasonous about meeting with Putin

Now you're willfully ignoring that Trump openly sided with Putin's defense that Russia was not involved in election tampering against literally our of foreign and some allied intelligence agencies. In my book and many other's that treason. As shown by the gobs of evidence of Trump supporters abandoning him after Helsinki. Why do you keep deflecting from this? I already provided the evidence, why do you keep ignoring an lying! What's your agenda? Are you even American?

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **1 point** 2 hours ago

>> treasonous about meeting with Putin > >Now you're willfully ignoring that Trump openly sided with Putin's defense that Russia was not involved in election tampering against literally all of our and some foreign allied intelligence agencies. In my book and many other's that treason.

I'm asking where is the collusion. This is Trump saying he felt Putin was being sincere.

As for the defecting Republicans, you simply ignored the quote above where it states they were never-Trumpers to begin with.

In your book, anything can be called treasonous. But the aforementioned certainly is not by any legal Standard.

>As shown by the gobs of evidence of Trump supporters abandoning him after Helsinki.

Show me the gobs of evidence of his supporters going away and I'll show you an equally slanted article showing the opposite.

I'm asking where is the collusion. I'm not asking who has more followers.

>What's your agenda? Are you even American?

My agenda is to have a factual, rather than speculative, conversation on your copypasta above.

I asked you to point to one item on your list that proves collusion.

So far, you haven't.

As I said above, that copypasta list is full of strawman points, anonymous sources, and speculative analysis. Show one... anyone of them as being proof and I'll concede to this discussion.

>Edit: oh shit my bad, I see you're a the_donald poster, see ya later comrade. All traitors will pay, crooked Trump is going down. I love America!

Of course. Go with the strawman. The final vestige of someone who's run out of logical argument.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **1 point** 2 hours ago

Oh man, back to no collusion, I thought you were on the current talking point that collusion isn't illegal. Man, you're going backwards now.

His own lawyer is on the topic, why can't you be?

https://www.cnbc.com/2019/01/17/rudy-giuliani-on-question-of-trump-campaign-russia-collusion-mueller.html

https://www.cnbc.com/2019/01/08/mueller-accused-manafort-of-lying-about-sharing-polling-data-with-spy.html

Isn't it true that the_donald has upvoted comments to the top comparing the former First Lady Michelle Obama to a gorilla?

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[–] **IllKissYourBoobies** **1 point** 2 hours ago

>Oh man, back to no collusion, I thought you were on the current talking point that collusion isn't illegal. Man, you're going backwards now.

Whoa there, partner. Your lines are crossed.

I said there's no collusion in stating that he believed Putin at his word;

therefore, there's nothing illegal.

Nevertheless, it's conspiracy you're looking for.

>His own lawyer is on the topic, why can't you be? >
>https://www.cnbc.com/2019/01/17/rudy-giuliani-on-question-of-trump-campaign-russia-collusion-mueller.html

He doesn't know everything about everyone in the campaign. He represents Donald Trump.

The question was whether he could categorically deny that *anyone* in the campaign colluded.

This is the full quote:

>“I never said there was no collusion between the campaign, or between people in the campaign. I have no idea,” he said. “I said the president of the United States — there is not a single bit of evidence the president of the United States committed the only crime you could commit here: Conspired with the Russians to hack the DNC.”

He's a lawyer. Therefore, he knows he could get in trouble for saying no one in the campaign didn't collude.

Nevertheless, as shown above, he patently denies Trump doing any such thing.

>https://www.cnbc.com/2019/01/08/mueller-accused-manafort-of-lying-about-sharing-polling-data-with-spy.html

An 'accidentally leaked' accusation is hardly proof. Also, Manafort has

already been indicted and this charge wasn't among them. So, I'm gonna go with this one being false.

>Isn't it true that the_donald has upvoted comments to the top comparing the former First Lady Michelle Obama to a gorilla?

I don't know. Why is that worth our time discussing?

>Was Al Capone gangster?

I'm afraid I don't get this.

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[–] **[deleted] 1 point** 5 hours ago

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[–] **maddiethehippie -1 points** 8 hours ago

there is an ask'reddit about burns right now. this one should go into it.

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[–] **littleriddle 22 points** 7 hours ago

Obama's government made CBD oil as illegal as meth. At least he waited until he was out the door to do it.

https://news.yahoo.com/dea-cbd-oil-declared-schedule-195903711.html

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[–] **username1824 4 points** 9 hours ago

It was posted all over r/politics, a sub that the right complains is nothing but liberals. And in my state, the Republican government decided to make hemp illegal despite now being federally legal.

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[–] **GetBTFO 26 points** 8 hours ago

Yeah, the upmost popular thread about it on /r/politics was this one:
https://www.reddit.com/r/politics/comments/a85lqq/hemp_and_cbd_are_now_officially_legalized_with/

Only 816 upvotes, whenever threads there generally range from 3k-30k upvotes. Only 90 comments, when threads there often range from 300-3000 comments. And if you actually read the comments in that thread, most of them are literally bashing Trump.

"Oh old rich men want to finally make some money off of it I guess."

https://www.reddit.com/r/politics/comments/a85lqq/hemp_and_cbd_are_now_officially_legalized_with/ec8pnp8

https://www.reddit.com/r/politics/comments/a85lqq/hemp_and_cbd_are_now_officially_legalized_with/ecagolv

https://www.reddit.com/r/politics/comments/a85lqq/hemp_and_cbd_are_now_officially_legalized_with/ec913qx

TDS/Trump Derangement Syndrome is real.

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[–] username1824 1 point 8 hours ago

If you call people hating Trump "trump derangement syndrome," what do you call people like yourself that are a part of the Trump loving cult at r/The_Donald?

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[–] Gummy_Joe -7 points 8 hours ago

Or maybe people don't care so much about hemp.

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[–] StriderPharazon -7 points 8 hours ago

Probably the more accurate assumption, but props to the Cheeto for doing something nice for people even though I'm sure he had little to do with it.

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[–] Where_You_Want_To_Be 9 points 8 hours ago

>Thing happens on another side of the country, Trump was never there, never endorsed it, never met the people, has zero involvement.

"This is Trump's fault! This is Trump's America!"

>Trump signs a bill into law.

"Yeah that's nice and all, but I'm sure he had little to do with it."

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[–] StriderPharazon -5 points 7 hours ago

It's more like this: the people around him may actually be competent. The House and the Senate finally came to an agreement on this and someone managed to put enough colorful graphs together with plenty of "President Trump" on the page to keep his interest and sign the bill.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 3 points 7 hours ago

Have you met liberals? This is total nonsense. California was really the first state to legalize pot. Alaska was early as well. It's largely a liberal and libertarian movement, with exceptions on all sides.

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[–] CoreyLoses 2 points 6 hours ago

"Sure, I punched all those people in the face but I also let someone give one of them a $5 bill and you never see anyone giving me credit for that!"

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[–] brickmack 2 points 7 hours ago

Hemp being illegal was stupid, but its not like it was ruining lives or anything. People aren't going to jail or getting shot over making rope, and non-hemp alternatives work just fine. CBD still isn't legal federally, but it is already legal in almost every state for medical use (and in a couple more recreationally, but CBD has effectively no recreational use so that doesn't matter much anyway). The big thing that matters is marijuana for recreational use. But Trump has not only not budged on that issue, but at least campaigned on increasing enforcement (fortunately, he hasn't actually done so)

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[–] Aegon_the_Conquerer (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

Liberals definitely applauded it, but just begrudgingly gave McConnell the credit, since it was really his brainchild.

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[–] Sxty8 1 point 6 hours ago

I'm a MA Lib and I do remember the articles when he did that. We may not have kept talking about it but it was talked about at the time.

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[–] Guarnerian 1 point 7 hours ago

Because one good thing doesnt erased the many many bad...maybe just maybe this is why.

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[–] CrushHazard 1 point 6 hours ago

Because Trump didn’t legalize it. He didn’t veto it, but are we really going to give presidents credit fir everything congress does?

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[–] Dubanx 1 point 8 hours ago

>Liberals have been screeching for many many years about all the benefits of hemp and CBD, and how it's terrible that it's against the law. Trump legalized it, and you didn't hear a peep from them about it.

Murders puppy, then donates $10 to charity.

Why does everyone keep talking about the puppy I murdered and instead of the $10 I donated!?

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[–] NeurotoxEVE 17 points 8 hours ago

That's what I thought about when the administration announced the war on drugs, co-workers and I thought it was another Reagan war on Marijuana. Turns out they been hitting the opioid business in courts and stopping massive amounts of fentanyl from entering the market. That's a drug war I can get behind..

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[–] mrburns88 4 points 7 hours ago

I think you're completely ignorant on the benefits of MJ reform... Including, hopefully putting a real dent in ending the war on drugs.

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[–] Acidwits 1 point 4 hours ago

They didn't have the more dangeous boogey man of Fentanyl

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[–] blakey21 1 point 6 hours ago

to be honest man and fair i did not know he legalized it which is dope asf but still dont like the guy.

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[–] Mogsitis 1 point 6 hours ago

I don't think many people in political offices have been "screeching" about hemp.

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[–] djm19 1 point 4 hours ago

Congress legalized it because many have joined liberals finally.

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[–] Mom2Rad_Sims4 -1 points 6 hours ago

It is the libertarians who wanted drugs to be legalized. Liberals are in favor of government control over things like drugs. How sad that most people don't even know what they hell they even stand for. America is getting what it deserves for the intellectual laziness.

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[–] Xvash2 1 point 6 hours ago

People can be economic liberals and social libertarians, its not all one way or the other.

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[–] sparrr0w -3 points 9 hours ago

Did he do it for liberal praise or because it was a good idea? Why the fuck does how liberals respond matter. Let's say you have a super shitty manager that you didn't want to be promoted to manager. They treat you like shot for a while and then throw a pizza party. Should you just roll over and be all "gee thanks manager. You're awesome"

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[–] wengelite -4 points 9 hours ago

Did he? Was this his idea? Or was this started by a member of Congress and he just signed it?

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[–] GetBTFO 4 points 8 hours ago

What is your point? A lot of bills passed don't start with the President. What matters is that it happened under him, and he signed it - period. Quit playing mental gymnastics to help subside your Trump Derangement Syndrome.

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[–] wengelite 2 points 8 hours ago

Actually if it was passed by a 2/3 majority vote of both the house and the senate he has to sign it, he has no choice. You appear to be the one performing mental gymnastics.

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[–] DarkArbiter91 2 points 7 hours ago

No, he can still veto a bill. The 2/3 majority is what's required to overturn his veto, so at that point vetoing a bill with that much support is close to futile.

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[–] sysop073 0 points 7 hours ago

> at that point vetoing a bill with that much support is close to futile.

That is quite clearly what they meant by "has to sign it"

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[–] DarkArbiter91 1 point 5 hours ago

I know it's mostly semantics, but the way the person I responded to worded his sentence made it sound like the President isn't even allowed the option to veto a bill with a 2/3rd majority backing.

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[–] **Shirlenator** 1 point 6 hours ago

Then you are saying the government shutdown was 100% on him too, right?

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[–] **sysop073** 1 point 7 hours ago

> What matters is that it happened under him, and he signed it - period.

...why? If Congress passed a bill the White House had no involvement in drafting or campaigning for and all Trump did was not veto it, I wouldn't exactly describe that as "Trump legalized it". He just got out of the way

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[–] **HOLLYWOOD_EQ_PEDOS** 6 points 6 hours ago

Lmao. Except Obama made it more illegal.

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[–] **KerbalFactorioLeague** -1 points 2 hours ago

Settle down incel

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[–] **HOLLYWOOD_EQ_PEDOS** 1 point 43 minutes ago

Ahahahahaha. I've never once called myself an incel, but it's cool to be called one for the first time!!!

Can I ask why you did it? I'm always interested in biggotted / hateful thought paterns. It's what my SO almost has her PhD in!

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[–] **birdsofparadiselost** 2 points 5 hours ago

I don't understand. Why is hemp a partisan issue?

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[–] **librarian2016** 1 point 5 hours ago

Yea, but now they don't.

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[–] **Mom2Rad_Sims4** 0 points 6 hours ago

Not really. Liberals who don't understand what liberal means in 2019 maybe. Liberals are in favor of big government regulating things like drugs while true conservatives are the ones in favor of limiting that kind of control. Most conservatives I know think all drugs should be legalized.

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[–] **UrTheologyNeedsWork (deleted by user)** 0 points 7 hours ago

...But despite decades of leadership, never managed to execute on.

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[–] **ispelledthiwrong** 8 points 8 hours ago

I'm not sure if this is the same bill Trump signed, but the bill wasn't all sunshine and rainbows. They tacked on a provision that would continue their support for the war in Yemen. I don't think this is the reason Trump signed the bill but it's still part of the bill so it's kinda shitty. I'd rather stop bombing kids in Yemen than have legalized hemp.

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[–] **AugeanSpringCleaning** 14 points 8 hours ago

They always do that kind of shit. "Hey, let me put this thing I want on this wholly unrelated bill that's probably going to pass!"

It's very annoying.

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[–] **hannahstohelit** 1 point 7 hours ago

So THAT's why I keep seeing ads in totally random places for CBD! I was so confused about what changed...

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[–] **CluelessZacPerson** 1 point 7 hours ago

Uh. Is he responsible for this, or did it just pass under his presidency?

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[–] **redgreenyellowblu** 6 points 3 hours ago

It passed because he signed it. And, he said in June of 2018 that he would consider signing legislation (STATES Act) that gave states autonomy with their own marijuana laws, with no interference from the feds. That legislation was ultimately blocked by McConnel. IMO, if Donald Trump hadn't set the tone with the STATES Act, no one might have even bothered trying to put forward hemp legislation.

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[–] **CluelessZacPerson** -2 points 3 hours ago

so it wasn't his doing.

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 3 points 3 hours ago

Okay, now I am starting to understand how you got your username.

Try watching Schoolhouse Rock, "I'm Just A Bill" for education on how a bill becomes a law. It should be helpful. I put the timestamp at 2:42 (where the song explains how a President must sign the bill for it to become a new law) so you don't have to listen through the whole thing.

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[–] CluelessZacPerson -4 points 2 hours ago

I understand how laws are created and passed, retard.

>a President must sign the bill

Actually, the president can be overridden, dumb shit.

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 1 point an hour ago

The president shares responsibility for the bill becoming law simply by signing it or allowing it to pass by choosing to not veto. It's rare for a president to veto a bill, but since the possibility is there, Congress generally crafts legislation with that possibility in mind. It's difficult to override a veto:

>While the engine of legislative ideas and action is Congress itself, the President has influence in the legislative process, as well. The President recommends an annual budget for federal agencies and often suggests legislation. **Perhaps more significantly, the power to veto legislation can affect the content of bills passed by Congress**. Since it is quite unusual for law to be enacted over a presidential veto, Congress typically must accommodate the president's position on proposed policies.

That's from Congress.gov

This is what I was talking about earlier. Elizabeth Warren never would have even tried getting the STATES Act passed if she hadn't been told by Trump he would sign it. Obviously, hemp legalization is a step down from recognizing states' rights with marijuana, so, yes, Trump played an important role in hemp legalization by 1) earlier signalling he wasn't rabidly anti-marijuana and 2) by not htreatening to veto hemp legalization and 3) by not vetoing the bill when it got to his desk.

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[–] CluelessZacPerson 0 points an hour ago

It's not that the people are categorically demanding it or anything. Yeah, all trumps doing.

Passing hemp legalization is EXPECTED. I refuse to give him credit for something that should have been done long ago.

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 1 point an hour ago

Yes, I agree with your very first statement. A good president (and legislature, foremost) will respond to what the people want, in most cases. But, it's also a president's job to hold the line and not respond to unwise populist whims. It's why he has a four year term and why senators have six year terms.

Refusing to give him credit for something that should have been done long ago just shows obstinance. It's like getting the exact kind of cake on your birthday you asked for but refusing to eat it because your little sister gets to have a piece too. It appears that his detractors don't want anything good to happen just so they can be prove what a meanie Trump is. This is where the term "Trump Derangement Syndrome" came from.

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[–] NorthFinding 1 point 5 hours ago

Big if true

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[–] cromwell08 1 point 3 hours ago

This was actually Mitch McConnell. But Reddit hates him so...

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[–] chicken_chaser22 1 point an hour ago

Can you grow hemp without growing buds? I have no clue that's why I ask

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[–] Go-Your-Own-Way 1 point an hour ago

Yes

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[–] chicken_chaser22 1 point an hour ago

Cool thanks

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[–] tdickles 0 points 5 hours ago

negative. that was mitch mcconnell. all trump did was sign it when it arrived at his desk.

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[–] redgreenyellowblu 2 points 3 hours ago

Back when Elizabeth Warren and Cory Gardner were working on the STATES Act which would end federal interference with states' marijuana legalization laws, Cory Gardner spoke with Donald Trump first to get assurances Trump would sign it. A bill does not become law until it's signed by the President. Trump let the Congress know last summer he was pro-legalization. Surely that provided encouragement for putting forward hemp legalization.

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[–] SpearNmagicHelmet 1842 points 9 hours ago

Exposed our corrupt government.

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[–] Where_You_Want_To_Be 335 points 7 hours ago

It is good that he has got so many people angry and interested in how the government works. For the 8 years before that it was just mindless spoonfeeding of "look how great the government is," and now that the mainstream media is putting a spotlight on how much the government sucks, people are taking notice.

You'd think Trump's presidency would be a great way to convince people that we need to give the government *less* power, but for some reason both R's and D's think that "once *my* guy gets in he'll make it right, we'll give him ungodly amounts of power and he will save us!"

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[–] JohnBrennansCoup 80 points 6 hours ago

> You'd think Trump's presidency would be a great way to convince people that we need to give the government less power

I didn't vote for Trump (or Hillary), but I would have picked Trump gun to my head though because of this very reason.

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[–] Where_You_Want_To_Be 45 points 6 hours ago

Yeah, since 9/11 we've granted the executive branch a ton of power, more and more each year. Obama used a lot of this power and no one really complained, especially with executive orders etc. Now that Trump is using the same power that we've gradually been granting to the office of the President for things that a lot of people disagree with, suddenly it's a problem.

Read the Federalist Papers, the President was never, ever supposed to have this much power. (Really, neither was the government.)

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[–] JohnBrennansCoup 45 points 5 hours ago

> Obama used a lot of this power and no one really complained

Oh we did, we were just called racists.

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[–] Where_You_Want_To_Be 20 points 5 hours ago

Well, that and you weren't covered. You had no platform.

One thing I have realized in the last couple years is that there really were people who were just critical of Obama, as there are people who were critical about Bush and Trump. They just didn't have the same huge platfom that those Trump/Bush-critical people did, so if you weren't looking for it, you wouldn't know it existed.

It was strange how many protesters and anti-war people there were who just suddenly disappeared for 8 years when Obama was elected.

Point is, all Presidents are fallible, some more than others, but there are always large swaths of people who are unhappy about what any particular President is doing. But, it seems to me that during Obama's presidency (can't speak about Clinton's as I wasn't paying attention to much news back then) the dissenting side didn't get any coverage, so if you were an outside observer you would believe that while he was in power, the whole country was fine and everyone was happy and we all got along and held hands and sang, la-di-daa.

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[–] JohnBrennansCoup 16 points 4 hours ago

> It was strange how many protesters and anti-war people there were who just suddenly disappeared for 8 years when Obama was elected.

Yes! This was unsettling. It was like magic - poof, they just disappeared.

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[–] DocPsychosis 1 point an hour ago

The birtherism and lynchings in effigy probably contributed to that designation as well.

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[–] JohnBrennansCoup 1 point an hour ago

OH yeah I almost forgot that all of the people who criticized Obama were lynching him in effigy.

So I guess we can now safely call all critics of Trump racist too, right?

I mean, we can have a contest and see who can find the most anti-white or anti-black articles and headlines in mainstream press and who do you think would win?

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[–] Kryzantine -2 points 5 hours ago

While I agree that the executive branch has gotten too powerful over the years, keep in mind that Obama:

(a) Understood exactly where the constitutional limits of executive authority went, and was careful to stay just within those limits. (b) Sorta had to reach as much as possible, given how obstructionist Congress was being after the ACA passed.

There was going to be a backlash against executive authority no matter what after Obama, though Clinton probably would've toed the line better than Trump. And thing is, even with the extended limits of executive power, the president's hands are still tied on many issues, such as the wall. Congress has been a shitshow for the last 20 years, and has slowly handcuffed itself for the sake of party unity. The fact that any new bills pretty much need 60 Senate votes to pass due to the changes to filibustering rules is a complete joke. Congressional leaders having the individual power to sideline bills for basically no reason is a complete joke. There's a reason that Congress, as an institution, is more unpopular than the Presidency. I dislike strong executive power, but I dislike the weak legislature even more, particularly because they've been weakening themselves for the sake of politics and getting reelected to do nothing. I would like to see executive authority decline (in particular, the ability to use "national security" as a non-questionable catch-all), but if the legislative branch isn't going to step up, then the country will just be worse off.

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[–] **Dey_Tooker_Jerbs** **9 points** 5 hours ago

> Understood exactly where the constitutional limits of executive authority went, and was careful to stay just within those limits.

Would you consider killing an American citizen and his 16 year old son within those limits?

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[–] **Where_You_Want_To_Be** **3 points** 4 hours ago

Yeah, I agree with most of that.

I guess it's kind of a double whammy, in that the Trump presidency ideally *should* encourage people to stop giving so much power to the president (including power over their moods, etc.) but on the other hand, it also has done a good job of demonstrated the checks and balances. I mean a lot of people simultaneously think that Trump is going to enact X, Y, and Z huge evil policy to [insert ridiculous claim here], but then at the same time they also think he hasn't got anything done. So, which is it? Is he an all-powerful authoritarian dictator *a la* Hitler, or is he not getting anything done and too incompetent to pursue his evil agenda?

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[–] **Kryzantine** **1 point** 4 hours ago

Yeah, I'm more on the side of, "he might want some messed up things, but the actual implementation either isn't possible or is lackluster." I don't support him, I vehemently dislike his intentions and what he wants to do. But I do recognize that those intentions haven't materialized into much thus far. I'd still rather have a president with better social and economic policies, but he's not the death of American democracy. I think people would do well to compare him to what an average Republican president would do in his stead, and see that not everything is him specifically. And when it comes to things like foreign policy, which is largely controlled by the government figures beneath him (the so-called deep state), pretty much the only major difference is trade. Any president, for example, would have supported Guiado in Venezuela. Doesn't matter if they're Democrat or Republican, doesn't even matter if it's Bernie Sanders.

But yeah, people like to give Trump more credit than he deserves, either for or against him. The executive branch is more than a single person.

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[–] **Where_You_Want_To_Be** **1 point** 4 hours ago

> But yeah, people like to give Trump more credit than he deserves, either for or against him. The executive branch is more than a single person.

Agreed. And personally speaking, I'd like to see the federal government all but destroyed. Maybe moved into a post-office somewhere in the middle of Nebraska. The hero worship (or hate) around the President is very weird, any President. Obama was a really good public speaker, especially compared to Trump, and he was a "cool guy" (just like Clinton and his saxophone) but honestly I'd like the actions the president takes to have a waaaay smaller impact on my life, any President.

When people say they are "embarrassed to be an American" because their president is Obama, or Trump, it's silly to me. Who gives a shit about the President, he's not supposed to be a king, the whole government was formed and structured to get AWAY from that, but we as a country seem to have crawled right back to it. He's not some great moral arbiter or some representative of the way we all think.

Basically burn the federal government to the ground for everything except national defense is my stance.

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[–] **AtomicLobsters** **7 points** 5 hours ago

Somewhat unrelated but is anyone else waiting to see the interpretation of the Commerce Clause scaled WAY WAY back? Nobody ever seems to talk about this but the way it is used to allow the government to do basically whatever it wants in the name of "regulating interstate commerce" is fucking retarded. The framers definitely didn't mean for it to be used as it has.

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[–] **narrill** **0 points** 4 hours ago

Trump's not scaling back presidential power though. Far from it, I imagine he'd expand it greatly given the chance.

Unless you're saying you'd have picked him just to make people aware of how much power the president has, in which case... no.

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[–] **JohnBrennansCoup** **2 points** 4 hours ago

> Trump's not scaling back presidential power though.

Of course not, nobody gives up power. The point is he flex's so hard on the power he has that Congress actually does their fucking job. Unlike they have since 9/11.

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[–] ggthrowaway1081 24 points 7 hours ago

The media will go right back to how it was once a Democrat gets into power though.

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[–] Where_You_Want_To_Be 19 points 7 hours ago

Yes, I fully expect that. I **wish** the media would be as critical about every single president as they are about Trump, I think it's great that they are super critical of him, he deserves to be criticized, but damn I wish that they'd go after every person in power this hard.

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[–] mildlyfuzzycustard -5 points 3 hours ago

The problem is that, in the US there is no mainstream genuinely left-wing media. You have FOX, Breitbart et al on the far right and CNN, MSNBC etc more toward the centre/centre-right. They are all, at their core, pro-corporate media. In the case of FOX, this involves riling up the base using issues like abortion, the 'war on Christianity', guns, immigration and LGBT etc to get a certain demographic to vote completely against their own interests so that multi-national corporations can scale back regulations on the environment, workers rights (see anti-union propaganda). Of course you also have the upper-middle who vote R for their own interest (understandable).

With CNN etc, you are correct. They really don't criticise those in power, provided they agree with the same issues of abortion, guns, immigration, LGBT etc but don't actually challenge any real power. They rarely call out serious issues such as scary surveillance of US citizens by the NSA, frequent foreign coups by the govt, Obama's anti-whistleblower stance, Obama's love for drone strikes and taking the US into more wars. Not to mention the tours around Wall Street done by Obama, Clinton and others for 6 figure 'speaking fees' (read: bribes). All of these things would be genuinely criticised by any respectable left-wing news/reporting.

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[–] Where_You_Want_To_Be 10 points 3 hours ago

> in the US there is no mainstream genuinely left-wing media.

I disagree 100% man, I would argue that most mainstream media is left-wing. Of course you have FOX and Breitbart which are blatantly right wing, but most other MSM is left-wing they just don't come out in the open and declare it.

Even movies, comedy, etc. is this way. When's the last time you saw an SNL skit picking on Democrats the same way they pick on Republicans? When's the last time someone at the Oscars said something even *slightly* right-wing? When's the last time a movie with a genuine right-wing slant (as in, not irony/sarcasm) was released and won an award? Did *any* late night host say one tenth the insulting shit about Obama, that they do for Trump on a nightly basis? I can't even remember any of those comedy news shows being very critical of him at all.

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This I agree with. That would be them being critical of the powers that be, even if they are on the same "team" as those powers, which is good and healthy for everyone. The problem is, you'll only find people talking about those things on FOX, which no one watches unless they are looking specifically for "right-wing news".

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[–] mildlyfuzzycustard 0 points 3 hours ago

I think the part where we differ is that the US 'left-wing' European equivalent (UK myself) is classified as centre-right politics here, so our definitions don't match up. Most people (obviously a decent % don't) here view most of the views on the CNN part of the spectrum as mostly agreeable.

I think part of the reason for the extensive mockery of Republicans is because it's A easy and B a lot of their views are ridiculous to those people and so why wouldn't they mock them? You're right that there really isn't much endorsement of right-wing stuff in 'Hollywood', I would guess because their isn't much of it? Regarding Daily Show and stuff, I think part of it is the easy target aspect and I agree, whilst I side with some of their views I can sympathise with the constant orange man bad thing, especially when a lot of it isn't 'hard-hitting' journalism about his crimes, shady past etc and it's just small hands, bad hair nonsense.

I think a large part of the problem (and a reason for Trump's political success) is the otherwise more reasonable side of the media fails to acknowledge the problems of a large part of the population who would like to see immigration reduced and are dismissed as being racist. Of course this has nothing to do with corporations being fearful of a demographic shift that reduces the amount of working age people, resulting in, god forbid, having to increase wages.

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[–] schnoppotop 1 point 2 hours ago

I agree to an extenxt except the term reasonable media. We don't have that, we have corporate (and by extension) state funded media. The people who pay for political campaigns also own large stakes in media companies of both sides, meaning they have a lot to benefit from muddying the waters. Even reddit has sold different parts of their forums (to shareblue, a political marketing company) and moderator spots for influence. Trump was the tip of the iceberg on the information war front.

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[–] johnny_tremain 11 points 6 hours ago

People on this site love to claim that Fox news is radical right and everything else is centrist. I cannot believe that. Why didn't any news station ever criticize Obama? Ever since Trump has been elected it's been non-stop "Trump is a racist, bigot, homophobe" 24/7.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson -4 points 6 hours ago

You're kidding right? Do I need to remind you of the tan suit debacle? Dijon-Gate? Fox News criticized Obama for 8 years 24/7. If Trump wasn't such an unscripted blowhard idiot he'd probably not have as many scandals on his hands as he does. He manufactures outrage so people will talk about him.

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[–] johnny_tremain 9 points 4 hours ago

> Fox News criticized Obama for 8 years

Bingo. Notice how it was only one news station. Where was the criticism from all the other news stations? I can't believe that Obama was so perfect that the only people who had the audacity to criticize him were those right wing nut jobs over at Fox.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson -6 points 3 hours ago

You're a big boy I'm sure you can find criticism of the Obama administration from "liberal media" if you look hard enough. As an example I dare say the expansion of the drone program was universally not well received by most news.

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[–] SmoteySmote 7 points 7 hours ago

Your comment is ok until I got to "the mainstream media is putting a spotlight" which is the opposite of the truth as the propagandist arm of the Democrats is outing themselves unwittingly because they are so corrupt and useless.

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[–] Nathan2055 5 points 3 hours ago

> once my guy gets in he'll make it right, we'll give him ungodly amounts of power and he will save us

This is the exact sentiment that led to the passing of the Enabling Act that gave Hitler near-unlimited power.

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[–] hugs_hugs_hugs 1 point an hour ago

this really freaks me out, especially in the context of the patriot act, nsa funding, and intervention in yemen.

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[–] Obsdian_Cultist 2 points 6 hours ago

Here's my issue with this whole mess: On one hand, I don't fucking trust companies and corporations to do the right fucking thing anymore, like at all. I have lost all my faith in companies like google, nestle, amazon, etc. I do not want them essentially being allowed to do what they please. ON THE OTHER HAND, the government is a corrupt shithole and will likely never change, so giving the government more power isn't exactly the best idea, as once your "guy" is done in office, even if somehow he didn't go corrupt, he's likely to be replaced by someone either ineffective or corrupt in some manner. So we have this scenario where we're stuck between a rock (Free Market going apeshit and fucking us all forever) and a hard place (The Government going apeshit and fucking us all forever). This whole deal is a "Pick your poison" kind of deal. And no, I'm not saying Anarchy is a viable solution either, you saw how people acted during the fucking shutdown, I don't trust people with jack shit.

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[–] Where_You_Want_To_Be 2 points 2 hours ago

> And no, I'm not saying Anarchy is a viable solution either, you saw how people acted during the fucking shutdown, I don't trust people with jack shit.

I'm not gonna advocate for full Anarchy right now, cause I'm a minarchist (smallest gov possible) and not a complete AnCap, but what I saw about how people acted during the shutdown was a good example of how little we need government.

The libertarian party organized clean-ups in like 25 different national parks across the country, there's a ton of local news articles about the Libertarian Party cleanup groups coming and cleaning the parks.

I don't know exactly what you saw during the shut down, but I mostly saw people stepping up and helping each other, taking care of the things they needed to in absence of government, and the wheels just kept turning. I'm not saying that "because it wasn't chaos during the shutdown that means we don't need government at all!" But I am saying that it's very possible that we would all be ok with less of it.

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Do you still buy products from those companies?

The "free market" argument is that you get to vote with your dollar basically. You can choose those companies or you can choose to give your money to a competitor.

IMO, you have a lot more power to change the world around you by voting with your dollar than you do by voting for a president with 360,000,000 other people.

But yes, it is a rock and a hard place, and some people think the solution is more government and that a benevolent government is going to take care of them and look out for their best interests. Others think less government is the solution.

I'm sure the right answer is somewhere in the middle, but I lean heavily toward the less government end of the spectrum.

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[–] charles_martel34 1 point 5 hours ago

You're very right. We've gone extremely sideways when the First Lady dictates school lunches. Way sideways.

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[–] alsgirl2002 172 points 7 hours ago

Underrated comment here. I knew it was happening before he took office. But he is just stripping away the layers of obscurity one by one and stripping them naked for everyone to see the vileness of it all.

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[–] Taylor7500 32 points 7 hours ago

Whether you like the guy or not, his negotiation tactic is simply to shine a bright spotlight on his enemies and wait for them to show the world how they really are. He's done it to the government, he's done it to the media, and he's done it to the Democratic party.

And the way Chuck and Nancy are acting, it's why he'll probably get his wall.

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[–] statix138 -1 points 6 hours ago

Yeah, his negotiation skills/tactics are top notch.

Dude is the personification of, "A Broken Clock is Right Twice a Day".

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[–] DivineOtter 3 points 4 hours ago

Yeah his skills are so top notch that he shut down the government for a month and gained absolutely nothing from it except a lower approval rating and an $11 billion hit to our economy.

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[–] statix138 3 points 4 hours ago

But he is a deal maker!

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[–] DivineOtter 0 points 4 hours ago

The Wendy's 4 for $4 was created because of Trump, take that libtards. /s

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[–] Miserable_company 0 points 2 hours ago

And yet job growth doubled expected numbers! I'll wait for your apology when we get the wall.

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[–] VeryMint -7 points 4 hours ago

Why would you link to the holocaust denying New York Times?

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[–] DivineOtter 0 points 4 hours ago

Because it is a 125 time Pulitzer Prize winning paper and widely regarded as one of the best in the world. Would you like more sources then?

The original report from the CBO
CNBC
Fox
Market Watch
NBC
Wall Street Journal
Politico
The Hill
BBC
USA Today
National Review
Fortune
ABC News
CNN

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[–] VeryMint -1 points 4 hours ago

Thank you for linking sources that don't deny the holocaust. I appreciate it.

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[–] DivineOtter 2 points 4 hours ago

Could you please link to me where the NYT denied the holocaust?

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[–] MarshmellowPotatoPie 3 points 3 hours ago

What's worying though is everyone is seeing the nakedness and proclaiming how fine the cloth is.

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[–] okverymuch -1 points 4 hours ago

It's also possible that *he is more corrupt than prior administrations*, rather than simply unmasking it.

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[–] AgoraiosBum -2 points 4 hours ago

Pointing a bunch of corrupt hacks just shows that he embraces corruption and that corruption has the potential to exist when you elect people that don't care about the public good.

And was not a lesson that anyone ought to have "needed"

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[–] whoknewitwasyou -13 points 7 hours ago

with the power of raw incompetence lol.

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[–] RumAndGames -15 points 7 hours ago

I want to be a part of your fantasy world

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[–] TheContrarian2 45 points 8 hours ago

I wish I had more than 1 upvote to give. This has been so monumentally important to me. What an enormous red/black pill it has been.

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[–] Scudstock 1 point 7 hours ago

Hey, I am not anti-Trump, so this is a genuine question. What exactly was exposed to yiu that helped you think this? Also, any sources if you have time would be sweet.

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[–] TheContrarian2 7 points 7 hours ago

I think I never paid much attention to the news until after Trump kept calling them "Fake News". Then the Fake News moniker combined with example after example after endless example of outright lies or exaggerations or lies by omission reinforced this fact to me. I became a regular on The Donald where these examples keep rising to the top.

I know of no national statistic by any reporting agency that says, "CNN lies 12% of the time now where they only lied 3% of the time during Obama's presidency" or anything like that. And frankly, I have become so cynical about news outlets that I can't trust them for virtually anything. I guess it's The Boy Who Cried Wolf syndrome. I've heard so many lies, that I just don't trust them at all.

Add to that the fact that media outlets aren't trying to report news any longer, they are full out attacking Trump and others, primarily Republicans. Attack, Attack, Attack. That's not news. Call me old fashioned but the journalist should not make themselves part of the story.

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[–] MrMushyagi 7 points 5 hours ago

If you're worried about fake news lies, how do you feel about the lies from Trump and his administration?

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[–] snaynay -4 points 4 hours ago

When the "lies" from Trump are exposed by outlets that produce said fake news; it's like the story of the kid who cried wolf... only the wolf was a chihuahua.

I'm not saying Trump doesn't speak shit, but I think most of his "lies" are simply a regurgitation of information fed to him from his teams. Fake news is often quite sinister as it's genuinely targeted and misleading with an end goal of producing a societal cognitive bias in favour of their narrative.

Sincerely, an interested Brit who's watched our BBC turn into an off-brand buzzfeed in a matter of 2/3 years.

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[–] MrMushyagi 3 points 3 hours ago

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But it doesn't take a news outlet to expose said lies. All you have to to is look at objective reality and deduce for yourself that he lies all the time.

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If by his teams you mean the various right wing news figures that he's constantly parroting, I agree. Doesn't make it ok.

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[–] zyxwvYouSuck 2 points 4 hours ago

Stop putting lies in quotations -- he is telling legitimate lies. He's malevolent.

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[–] Superunknown_7 3 points 2 hours ago

>I stopped reading the news and now get it from a writhing mass of low information rageaholics, teenage shitposters and bots on The_Donald.

Okie dokie, snowflake.

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[–] **Agnimia** 3 points 7 hours ago

That the democratic party is is vile with people like Hilary Clinton and Pelosi.

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[–] **Mom2Rad_Sims4** -2 points 6 hours ago

We have no liberal party in the US. There is conservative and ultra conservative. It's all a pony show. They work together so they get to be the ones who have and keep the wealth and influence while getting the poor people to blame each other.

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[–] **Agnimia** 4 points 6 hours ago

umm, what?

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[–] **KAFKA-SLAYER-99** 1 point an hour ago

Why do dumbasses keep regurgitating this "america is either conservative or ULTRA CONSERVATIVE" bullshit lol

Europe has no conservative party. They are either liberal or radical leftist

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[–] **ihml_13** 1 point 39 minutes ago

you do realize hes referring to trump and his cronies with that?

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[–] **SweetDig** 11 points 7 hours ago

And how most mainstream news sources are propaganda.

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[–] **PMMeUrHopesNDreams** 9 points 7 hours ago

Specifically which corruption did he expose?

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[–] **DSI3882** 2 points 4 hours ago

A demonstration on how a record number of cabinet members can be exposed for unethical conduct in one administration, perhaps?

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[–] **ihml_13** 1 point 39 minutes ago

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[–] **caesarfecit** -2 points 5 hours ago

Well the exposure isn't complete yet, and it won't be until the people responsible are under indictment, but so far here's what we've learned....

1. The FBI became totally politicized under Obama. What Comey did with the Clinton email case was a complete disgrace, both his pronouncements to the media, and the fact that it's becoming pretty clear the investigation was for show, as going after her would have implicated Obama, who not only knew about the private email server, but corresponded with Hillary on it, and then lied to the public.
2. That the Hillary Clinton camp was colluding with the FBI and DOJ to introduce salacious and phony oppo research into the intelligence bloodstream. Why? To build the Russian collusion narrative and distract from how exactly the DNC emails got out. Her cutouts have been identified as the Perkins Coie law firm and Fusion GPS. And finally, the FBI knew almost from the get go that the information was unverified and likely false.
3. That the FBI and DOJ, with the assistance of the CIA and State Department sought a FISA warrant to spy on the Trump campaign, with likely illegally sourced intel from the Five Eyes and known false information. That is hella-illegal and breaks a ton of rules.
4. That the Obama White House was fully informed and involved in this phony counter-intelligence investigation, and not only went along with the attempt to morph this into a witch hunt investigation against Trump, but aided it with a last minute executive order authorizing the widespread sharing of intelligence material related to the Russia investigation.
5. That since then the entire Democratic Party and mainstream media have collaborated with this phony narrative/illegal spying operation/phony investigation, because they're all terrified of what comes out when the house of cards collapses. They know it's all a lie, but they're politically pot-committed.
6. That the entire Mueller investigation is a fraud that can't establish the very thing they're looking for, but are still shaking down Trump associates with the goal of politically damaging Trump and/or building a phony case for his impeachment.

When the shit hits fan, people will find out they've been the victims of the biggest con-job in American history, and on Obama's watch, some of the biggest scandals and malfeasances in American history occurred, all aided and abetted by the mainstream media who actively covered it up. And I haven't even covered the peripheral stuff like the illegal unmaskings, the Seth Rich murder, the Uranium One scandal, the ongoing Clinton Foundation investigation, and just what the hell the CIA and State were up to in Benghazi (hint: illegal gun-running).

You will likely see the following people indicted for their roles in this yuge mess (though there are others):

- James Comey
- Rod Rosenstein
- Peter Strzok
- Andrew McCabe
- James Baker
- Bruce and Nellie Ohr
- James Clapper
- John Brennan
- Susan Rice
- Samantha Powers

And as for Hillary and Obama, they're certainly involved and certainly there's a case against them, but I wouldn't be surprised if Trump lets the eyes of history judge them instead.

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** 4 points 2 hours ago

Oh, it's Qanon BS. Got it.

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[–] **Win10isWeird** 1 point 2 hours ago

Corruption in the US Government =/= QAnon

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** -1 points 2 hours ago

Shit the guy above me was talking about == QAnon, though.

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[–] **Win10isWeird** 1 point 2 hours ago

QAnon pushed a lot of it but it’s not exclusive to him.

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** -1 points 2 hours ago

Alright, QAnon and the rest of the right wing spin crowd, then.

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[–] **ThyNinjazo** 5 points 5 hours ago

You mean become the part of the same swamp he wanted to drain.

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[–] **twothumbs** -2 points 4 hours ago

Lol, yeah. He's clearly in cahoots with all the people who want to get rid of him

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[–] **ThyNinjazo** 0 points 4 hours ago

If they wanted to get rid of him they would already.

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[–] **twothumbs** 3 points 3 hours ago

>If they coulda gotten rid of him they woulda already.

Ftfy

Just admit your bias towards everything Trump and just move along. Your points make no sense.

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[–] **Mom2Rad_Sims4** 4 points 6 hours ago

I mean, in reality he is working with them and for them. He is the misdirection while his buddies rob us blind and deregulate business in a way that will fuck over the little man for decades.

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[–] **DSI3882** 0 points 4 hours ago

I don't understand how people champion Trump while his cabinet is filled with people who clearly are not doing what they're doing as a service, but more to enrich themselves.

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[–] **MulaB** 1 point an hour ago

hint: it's because they are dumb

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[–] **Jubie1** 1 point an hour ago

I haven't followed the news a ton lately because I'm tired of all the biased reporting. What has he done to expose corruption?

I have to say I am suspicious of many of his cabinet selections. Betsy Devos, Rex Tillerson, and Steve Munchin in particular.

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[–] **BloodMethTears03** -1 points 5 hours ago

666 upvotes

Don't upvote more goddammit

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[–] **2short2see** 1512 points 19 hours ago

I don't support the nob but he did sign the "Forever GI Bill" which allows me to keep my Education Benefits for life for service in the Military (USA).

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[–] **doomlite** 162 points 11 hours ago

If you served past 8/1/13

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[–] **2short2see** 232 points 11 hours ago

Which is unfortunate, but I somewhat understand that they had to have a cut off somewhere.

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[–] **doomlite** 86 points 10 hours ago

I just wish horse-shit for profit schools were excluded

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[–] **Mike_Facking_Jones** 19 points 7 hours ago

I went to a for profit school, great teachers, small class sizes, got my degree and hired in a related field before I was finished

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[–] **Worf65** 5 points 5 hours ago

Some of them are good but there are quite a few expensive for profit colleges that are hardly accredited have very poor job placement, and absolutely love to chase GI bill money. It may be getting better after the government shut down ITT Tech and a few others but its definitely still a problem.

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[–] **ConspiratorM** 7 points 4 hours ago

Under the Obama administration more steps were being taken to curtail them and cut them off from federal money. Under Trump they are being embraced and he put a person from a for-profit college that had been in trouble before in charge of the part of the DoE that is supposed to monitor fraud in higher education.

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[–] **HOLLYWOOD_EQ_PEDOS** 4 points 6 hours ago

Public universities are just as much for profit as a for profit school.

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[–] **NSA-HQ** 4 points 5 hours ago

Public Universities waste just the same amount of money...

I'm excited for free online learning to decimate universities in next 10 years.

With big data, and artifical intelligence guiding students it WILL be 100x better training than Universities.

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[–] **HOLLYWOOD_EQ_PEDOS** 2 points 5 hours ago

100% agree. I think anyone currently in academia see this as the future.

The textbook companies sure do, and they're ready for it.

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[–] **MagnusLegatus** 0 points 6 hours ago

LOL

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[–] **Scudstock** 3 points 7 hours ago

I thought they were....but anyway, I know a few GIs that couldn't get into any 4 hear schools except for profits, so I guess that might be why they weren't excluded.

But I also know people that graduated from the University of Phoenix and think their degrees are useless as toilet paper.

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[–] **brickmack** 2 points 7 hours ago

Several of the big offenders closed down in the last few years because of legal trouble, so that helps st least

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[–] lhatemyusername123 2 points 6 hours ago

...but aren't all schools for profit? Isnt that why they charge so god damn much?

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[–] ZeusKabob 1 point 3 hours ago

Public schools are getting just as bad. Tuition hikes every semester, funneling more and more money into their football team or whatever slush fund the president wants to support. It's unconscionable for our schools to purposefully saddle students with debt that may follow them for the rest of their lives. This is underscored by the continued loss of confidence in the quality of schooling across the board, and could lead to a massive loss of college education across our whole country.

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[–] cdyngrm 1 point 6 hours ago

Better to go to a for profit school for a marketable degree than a no profit school and be unemployed from an unmarketable degree.

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[–] Nobody1796 1 point 2 hours ago

Theyre horse shit but you wish they were included?

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[–] doomlite 1 point 2 hours ago

Excluded

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[–] Nobody1796 1 point an hour ago

Oh sorry I misread.

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[–] buckus69 0 points 7 hours ago

They used to be, but the finagled themselves back in.

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[–] NeurotoxEVE 1 point 6 hours ago

Not entire loss, it still lasts 15 years before that. That's plenty of time in my opinion.

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[–] NeurotoxEVE 1 point 6 hours ago

holy smokes, 1 month before my EOS. So I keep my GI benefits forever?

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[–] PunchableDuck 1 point 6 hours ago

Sweet my EAS date was 9/21/13. Unless my two months of terminal leave were counted against that.

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[–] doomlite 1 point 4 hours ago

All depends on dd214

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[–] 2short2see 59 points 19 hours ago

Originally service members could use their Education Benefits up to 15 years after leaving..

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[–] TheTDog 119 points 16 hours ago

GI bill is transferable, so the forever part helps out the kids of the service members.

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[–] scroom38 31 points 13 hours ago

Not anymore its not! Military now requires 4 years retainability to transfer GI bill benefits

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[–] mclabop 13 points 10 hours ago

DOD just released an exception to policy that extended it a bit. NAVADMIN link. The link is for Navy/Marines but references the DODwide policy. If I understand correctly, if you can’t make it to 4 years but can meet whatever is left in your contract then you can still transfer them. But it has an expiration date.

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[–] scroom38 7 points 9 hours ago

That's only for members with at least 10 years in service.

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[–] mclabop 1 point 9 hours ago

Sorry. Meant four additional years. But yes. For those past 10.

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[–] scroom38 3 points 9 hours ago

So in other words, the DoD bumps up retainability for a few years, and then retainability tanks as people choose college over the military.

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[–] mclabop 2 points 9 hours ago

They're hoping that you'll stay because as you get past 10, you'll approach 20 getting that sweet sweet retirement benefit. Same reason most rates/MOS don't have senior level reenlistment benefits. I think their calculus is as simple as "if we have you after 10, we've got you for 20."

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[–] scroom38 2 points 8 hours ago

Fair point. There are a lot of people like that. Maybe it will work.

My thinking is people in the future will be less likely to enlist/reenlist because one of the major themes is sharing the GI bill. If you dont know when youre having kids, the GI bill stops being a benefit.

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[–] mclabop 1 point 7 hours ago

Great points and I agree. It also seems like the average age in the military to have kids is increasing to keep pace with civilians. I see a lot more people waiting. There's still the occasional "whoops, lets get married" but it seems less of a trope.

Where I don't understand the logic is that given that age is increasing before kids, this is the one benefit where it doesn't cost the DOD anything out of its regular budget. It's paid by the VA. So decreasing the eligibility only hurts their retention efforts with no direct cost savings to DOD.

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[–] Killer_Bs 5 points 12 hours ago

And that is not available if you are passed the 12 year mark. Since you are that far they don't feel the need to try and keep you in, the retirement does that.

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 1 point 5 hours ago

It was always meant to be a reenlistment bonus. From the day they started doing that it was never given to everyone, its considered the same as a signing bonus in cash.

Depending on what they offorded you (read how much they needed you) you could have got the transfer option, cash bonus, and prefered duty station.

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[–] fuckshitandkill 6 points 15 hours ago

15 years isn't forever....

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[–] Beso0621 13 points 11 hours ago

It used to be 15 years, the bill he signed makes it so there is no time limit for when it expires.

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[–] fuckshitandkill 1 point 2 hours ago

Duh, if you read who I replied to he was making it seem like it wasn't that big of a change.

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[–] lestatjenkins 11 points 13 hours ago

I don't think you're getting the point here.

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[–] fuckshitandkill 1 point 4 hours ago

Yeah I totally do. Guy I replied to made it sound like 15 years originally was enough and basically a lifetime

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[–] 2short2see 2 points 11 hours ago

Hence the word "Originally".

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[–] fuckshitandkill 1 point 4 hours ago

I know, I replied to someone who was downplaying the change

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[–] ccie_to_be 3 points 11 hours ago

It was 10 for me

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[–] HotRoger 1 point 7 hours ago

Me too..

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[–] sonny68 46 points 9 hours ago

I dont support him, but he measurably directly improved my life.

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[–] WildBeast737 14 points 8 hours ago

If he measurably directly improved your life, why don't you support him?

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[–] UrTheologyNeedsWork 23 points 7 hours ago

Orange man bad.

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[–] DontMakeMeDownvote 16 points 6 hours ago

That's what it all boils down to.

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[–] UrTheologyNeedsWork 9 points 5 hours ago

That and they all are convinced that they are more intelligent/intellectual/enlightened/on a higher moral plane.

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[–] zyxwvYouSuck -5 points 4 hours ago

We're talking about those against Trump, not his supporters.

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[–] UrTheologyNeedsWork 6 points 3 hours ago

I'm talking about Democrats.

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[–] zyxwvYouSuck -3 points 3 hours ago

Sorry for the confusion -- Republicans and T_D folks have the same mindset. They are also convinced that they are more intelligent/intellectual/enlightened/on a higher moral plane.

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[–] Greek___Geek 7 points 7 hours ago

Because some people care about more than what directly influences them.

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[–] WildBeast737 10 points 7 hours ago

Yeah, but what has he done that would warrant not supporting him?

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[–] Greek___Geek 2 points 7 hours ago

Oh I see what you meant by your first question now. Sorry to say I'm not the person you originally responded to though.

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[–] zyxwvYouSuck 0 points 4 hours ago

Holy ignorance, wow.

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[–] BalefireX -1 points an hour ago

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https://twitter.com/realdonaldtrump/status/949619270631256064?lang=en
https://i.imgur.com/02utvTo.jpg?1

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[–] ZeroPride -3 points 5 hours ago

Demanding money to be budgeted for the wall and holding the government hostage to get it is one thing that comes to mind for me.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 5 hours ago

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[–] 2short2see -19 points 9 hours ago

I feel ya. (but not in a weird way) lolz #grabherbythe...you know

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[–] sonny68 13 points 9 hours ago

believewamen

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[–] beefsickle19 5 points 7 hours ago

this is the internet, you're allowed to say bad words

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[–] Recon_by_Fire 6 points 10 hours ago

Wait, really?

r/politics will tell me a balloon has moved, but not this?

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[–] tricks_23 18 points 10 hours ago

/r/politics is just an echo-chamber for anti Trump stuff

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[–] never-ever-post -13 points 10 hours ago

It's almost like it represents most people in the US

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[–] Recon_by_Fire 14 points 9 hours ago

>people

*Reddit users **

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[–] tricks_23 1 point 10 hours ago

Most people? If it represented most people Trump wouldn't be in office.

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[–] Noughticus 1 point 10 hours ago

Trump lost the popular vote though, I'd say that qualifies as most people.

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[–] Jabron661 6 points 9 hours ago

Here is a question for you, would you rather win the popular vote, or the election?

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[–] tricks_23 2 points 9 hours ago

By 2%, hardly "Most people". Most implies a vast majority.

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[–] Myattemptatlogic 2 points 8 hours ago

I mean it CAN, but he's not wrong. Literally most people that voted didn't vote for Trump.

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[–] Myattemptatlogic -2 points 8 hours ago

Ehh that's not how that works. Most Americans objectively do not support Trump right now (according to like, ANY poll),which is what we're talking about. Not during the election.

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[–] 2short2see 1 point 10 hours ago

I feel like your post is going to be spiraling out of control as the thread continues... May God has mercy on your inbox.

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[–] sternone_2 3 points 6 hours ago

Maybe you should support him then.

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[–] 2short2see -1 points 6 hours ago

You support him...

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[–] sternone_2 -1 points 6 hours ago

Maybe you supporting him is a way of saying Thank you Mr.President.

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[–] 2short2see 2 points 6 hours ago

Ha

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[–] Arvaci 0 points 3 hours ago

>Thank you Mr.President.

More like "Thanks but no thanks Mr. President" amirite boys!?!?

/s

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[–] OverTheRiverThru495 1 point 8 hours ago

Now if only he could get the VA in line to actually PAY on those benefits.....

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[–] 2short2see 2 points 8 hours ago

Thats a whole other story but I feel the pain from friends who have had issues with being paid. Luckily I found a decent job with a great salary so I'm using the GI Bill as an emergency option. Hopefully I won't have to use it but if I do I hope they have their shit figured out.

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[–] crimsonpowder 1 point 9 hours ago

So he did something that benefits you but you don't support him?

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[–] 2short2see -3 points 9 hours ago

What a poorly though out question. I'm not even going to attempt a response.

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[–] crimsonpowder 6 points 9 hours ago

I'm glad you at least took the time to say that my question was soooo poorly thought out that you couldn't possibly stoop to such a low level as to waste time saying anything.

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[–] 2short2see -1 points 8 hours ago

You want me to say something? Its my decision, personal decision not to support someone based on things I believe they've done that outweighs all that stupid decisions they've made.

Maybe your question was an honest request for a true answer. Sorry I overreacted.

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[–] crimsonpowder 3 points 8 hours ago

Hey no worries. If it's personal I won't pry.

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[–] 2short2see 0 points 8 hours ago

*knuckle-bump

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[–] sundayultimate 1 point 5 hours ago

Hold up, you saying my Post 9/11 doesn't stop being usable after...10 years?

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[–] 2short2see 1 point 5 hours ago

Depends on when you got out.

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[–] sundayultimate 1 point 5 hours ago

After 2013, which seems to be the important date in my short google search

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[–] Daemonicon (deleted by user) 0 points 7 hours ago

Just make sure you're not transgendered.

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[–] anonymonality 0 points 4 hours ago

I question the authenticity of this account.

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[–] 2short2see 1 point 4 hours ago

"Wooo Woop! Reddit Police open up!"

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[–] Thevoiceofreason420 1298 points 11 hours ago

He was the only world leader to approve the sale of actual weapons to Ukraine. Everyones worried about Russia this Russia that yet when Russia illegally invaded Ukraine and illegally annexed Crimea the world didn't do shit and every single world leader refused to sell badly needed weapons to Ukraine. I know tensions have simmered down now but if Russia tries anything in Ukraine again they will have to content with the best portable anti-tank weapon system in the world the Javelin anti-tank weapon system, back in 2014 Ukraine was badly in need of portable anti-tank weapon systems capable of destroying modern Russian tanks and other armored vehicles.

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[–] crimsonpowder 608 points 9 hours ago

People should pay more attention to this. My family is Ukrainian. We hate Russia more than feminazis hate men. As soon as Trump helped Ukraine the collusion question should have evaporated.

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[–] boomlookingforthis 492 points 9 hours ago

Trump has done so much against Russia that it blows my mind people still think he is Putin's puppet. Arming Ukraine, sanctions, come on.

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[–] crimsonpowder 253 points 9 hours ago

I think it shows how effective groupthink and propaganda is.

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[–] chiomegagirl 20 points 4 hours ago

You're right it is effective. I had no idea until I read the posts here.

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[–] PartTimeHick 1 point 50 minutes ago

Here's something that'll really blow your mind: Obama signed the Counter Disinformation and Propaganda Act in 2016 (a part of the National Defense Authorization Act, $611 billion), it went into effect in 2017. It was designed to counter foreign propaganda, and allow the state to coordinate operations to develop and disseminate "fact based narratives" to counter effrontery propaganda.

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[–] Abestar909 12 points 7 hours ago

Selling weapons was literally the only thing mentioned. Trump didn't do the sanctions.

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[–] NPC544544 16 points 5 hours ago

On Russian companies that were put under sanctions until their head guy was removed.

The head guy was removed so why leave the sanctions?

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[–] Abestar909 3 points 5 hours ago

Because Russia is still occupying huge chunks of Ukraine doesn't deserve to have e pressure on them eased.

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[–] NPC544544 7 points 5 hours ago

Can you understand that russia is not always russian businesses?

Do you understand how sanctions work, how and who they are implemented against, and for what reasons?

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[–] Abestar909 0 points 4 hours ago

I don't think you understand how modern Russia works as well as you think you do.

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[–] NPC544544 4 points 4 hours ago

And im sure that you are an expert.

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[–] Abestar909 1 point 4 hours ago

Apparently more so than you.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 9 points 5 hours ago

He also has been undercutting Russia's European oil sales

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[–] Abestar909 -6 points 5 hours ago

But that's not the stated goal, he just wanted to open protected areas to make oil people more money. That was just a side effect of his greed.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 6 points 3 hours ago

What you just said is completely false.

He literally told Germany to buy American oil over Russian oil and then called them out publicly when as hypocrites when they didn't.

https://www.pbs.org/newshour/world/trump-scolded-germany-for-buying-gas-from-russia-heres-what-we-know

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[–] Abestar909 0 points 3 hours ago

You just proved your own point false... Europeans don't want to buy American oil because it would likely cost more than Russian oil.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 5 points 3 hours ago

You should work on your reading comprehension. My point was that Trump is undercutting Russian oil exports. Russian oil is more available because of logistics, but Trump's point is to break European dependency on Russia, more proof he is against them than working for them.

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[–] Abestar909 1 point 3 hours ago

And you should work on your ability to conceptualize greed in the world. Trump can do what his blackmailing Russian handlers want and still try to make his oil buddies money, not that hard a concept.

And Europe is breaking their reliance on Russian oil all on their own. They are doing a hell of a lot better job than we are on breaking our need for oil, oh and who do we buy oil from? That's right, all those people Trump opened up land to drill on. The same people he was berating Europe for not buying from. Crazy how this all comes back home right?

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[–] ip_g_chodder 1 point 3 hours ago

>And you should work on your ability to conceptualize greed in the world. Trump can do what his blackmailing Russian handlers want and still try to make his oil buddies money, not that hard a concept.

This is subjective assumption.

What's it like to be so blinded by animosity that you can't even objectively look at something and weigh factual evidence. Still waiting on the evidence of collusion.

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[–] Abestar909 2 points 2 hours ago

LMAO

How many people have to be arrested before you see the truth? Your stupid ass probably won't even believe when Trump is in jail where he belongs.

You when Trump is in jail: "Deep state! It's the liberals! They framed Trump! Get your guns and let's break him out!"

Have fun with being deluded.

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[–] SexyRickSandM 1 point 2 hours ago

> LAMO

What a mature response.

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[–] Abestar909 1 point 2 hours ago

Explain how laughing at willful ignorance is immature.

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[–] SexyRickSandM 0 points 2 hours ago

You expect to be taken seriously when you start off your post with lamo in all caps?

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[–] Abestar909 1 point 2 hours ago

Well the ridiculousness literally made me laugh and if laughing makes me a child then I guess I'm a child.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 1 point 2 hours ago

Who was arrested for Russian collusion?

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[–] Abestar909 1 point 2 hours ago

https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2018/2/20/17031772/mueller-indictments-grand-jury

I am very interested to see how you'll dismiss all this, if you even read it.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 1 point 2 hours ago

George Papadopoulos - making false statements Paul Manafort - Tax fraud, hidden foreign bank accounts, bank fraud Rick Gates - false statements, conspiracy Richard Pinedo - identity theft Alex van der Zwaan - making false statements Konstantin Kilimnik - attempting to obstruct justice Michael Cohen - campaign finance charge, tax fraud, bank fraud Roger Stone - lying to the house intelligent committee, tampering with a witness

>5-20) 13 Russian nationals and three Russian companies were indicted on conspiracy charges, with some also being accused of identity theft. The charges related to a Russian propaganda effort designed to interfere with the 2016 campaign.

>24-35) 12 Russian GRU officers: These officers of Russia's military intelligence service were charged with crimes related to the hacking and leaking of leading Democrats' emails in 2016.

Doesn't say these are linked to Trump

So which one was arrested for Russian collusion and which charge is it?

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[–] Abestar909 2 points 2 hours ago

So in your world, all these people can lie about and cover up all this stuff, and be arrested for it, some of them admitting there were meetings with Russian agents on Trump property and you still believe none of it points to collusion?

Wow.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 1 point 2 hours ago

I'm just asking you which charge or which plea deal shows that the Trump administration colluded with Russia. That was the point of the Mueller probe wasn't it, to find this collusion? If that's the case it should be easy for you to point to which arrest and which indictment shows this collusion that you're purporting exists especially if, like you said, there's evidence.

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[–] Abestar909 2 points an hour ago

Nothing I say is going to convince you so I'll just say this:

For such an innocent guy, Trump sure has a LOT of criminals around him.

Also, even if Trump doesn't get charged with Treason, he's still a felon:

http://nymag.com/intelligencer/2018/12/trump-felony-michael-cohen-paul-manafort-collusion-payment.html

And I can't wait for him to lose the protection of the Presidency and Republican Senate.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 0 points an hour ago

>Nothing I say is going to convince you so I'll just say this:

Because, unlike you, I require actual evidence to reach a conclusion

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[–] Abestar909 1 point an hour ago

Nice job ignoring the evidence of the felony lol

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[–] ip_g_chodder 1 point 43 minutes ago

Cohen, who has already lied to Congress and the FBI investigation, providing single testimony of this "felony" is poor bar for evidence.

So yeah, seems like you just believe what you want to believe. Meanwhile I'll still wait on concrete evidence

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[–] **Abestar909** 1 point 40 minutes ago

Make sure to message me when it comes! If your mind isn't completely filled with cognitive dissonance as you try to piece together a way you can continue to ignore reality, try to film yourself, I'd love to see you face while all that happens.

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[–] **ip_g_chodder** 1 point 38 minutes ago

Every claim I made I provided evidence. When I asked you for some you double down on assumptions. Sadly you'll never see the hypocrisy of your use of the term "cognitive dissonance," because you clearly don't comprehend it.

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[–] **Abestar909** 1 point 34 minutes ago

Yeah yeah yeah, they are all innocent, witch hunt, blah blah blah.

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[–] **ispelledthiwrong** 117 points 8 hours ago

Can you give any other examples of anti Russian things Trump has done? Not doubting you I just hadn't heard about them and it's near impossible to find any stories about them by sifting through all of the drivel I find when I try to look up Trump's actions regarding Russia.

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[–] **glaring-oryx** 322 points 8 hours ago

His huge increase in domestic oil production is wreaking havoc on the Russian economy. Oil production is a huge part of Russia's economy, but it depends on high oil prices. Trump flooding the market is terrible for them.

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[–] **Scudstock** 247 points 7 hours ago

He seemingly did this in direct opposition to Russia.

He also tricked the Saudis into flooding the market, which royally fucked Russia.

https://www.cnbc.com/2018/11/15/trump-duped-saudis-into-tanking-oil-prices-analysts-say.html

People may hate him, but he has gotten us better footing with Mexico, China, NATO, OPEC, and Russia in negotiations.

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[–] **SpaceForce2020** **141 points** 7 hours ago

Also, his recent public statements on Venezuela does not bode well for Russia in regards to oil either.

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[–] **gideonbayle** **104 points** 7 hours ago

Also look at Venezuela, I'm willing to bet that Russia was behind the socialist uprising in Venezuela. They were the fourth largest economy in the world and one of the leading oil producers. Then socialism happens and they disappear from the market. What country knows better than anyone the effects of socialism. What it does to the economy and means of production? Russia. Venezuela going socialist allowed Russia more flexability with controlling oil prices and a larger share of the market. They're trying to do the same in the US. There is far far more evidence of collusion on the Democrat side with Russia. Examples in abundance. and they have suddenly taken a wild skew towards socialism when our oil production begins booming and takes over the top spot.

Also see Syria. Everyone thinks syria is about isis. It's about the Qatar-Turkey pipeline and oil. All over again. Theres a reason Putin became buddy buddy with Syria. To stop the pipeline.

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[–] **New_User_4** **19 points** 6 hours ago

You're blowing my mind with this "weaponized socialism" theory.

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[–] **gideonbayle** **19 points** 6 hours ago

Go watch the Yuri Bezmenov interview.

Also Putin publicly supports Maduro in Venezuela. Why? What has Maduro done that benefited Russia?

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[–] **KanyesSunkenPlace** **2 points** 2 hours ago

>They were the fourth largest economy in the world

Wait, Venezuala was the world's fourth largest economy? When did that happen?

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[–] **gideonbayle** **6 points** 2 hours ago

Apologies it was fourth largest GDP per capita in the world. 1950s

http://money.visualcapitalist.com/richer-poorer-venezuela-economic-tragedy/

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[–] **KanyesSunkenPlace** **4 points** 2 hours ago

Wow, that's still surprising. I had no idea they'd ever been that comparatively wealthy. Really puts how far they've fallen into perspective.

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[–] **gideonbayle** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Yeah it's crazy how a country that held quadruple the wealth of Japan can fall in a matter of decades and now be raiding zoos and killing the animals just to eat

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[–] **upvotealready** **1 point** 28 minutes ago

or ...

they nationalized the oil companies and and based their annual federal budgets nearly exclusively on that revenue. Oil went from $100 a barrel to its current price or $40. Thats a big gap to fill.

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[–] **NPC544544** **13 points** 5 hours ago

And Canada.

Something that really opened up my eyes. I was listening to an old podcast that a guy who runs a fish store does. People from Canada kept asking him why he wouldn't ship to them and he literally said "they don't want us to ship to them".

Canada doesn't want U.S. business. They want to protect Canadian businesses. There's nothing wrong with that, but it's bullshit that people throw a hissy fit when America wants to do the same.

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[–] **Scudstock** **11 points** 5 hours ago

They are very nationalist in practice, but put on their globalist outfit when in public.

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[–] **NPC544544** **6 points** 5 hours ago

That podcast really opened up my eyes as he started talking about why he couldn't ship to Canada.

Want a new led light for your aquarium. Go for it but you can only buy x because Canada has their own electrical testing procedures so they won't allow certain manufacturers to sell unless they double up on testing costs so they can sell to a country with a population smaller than California.

Want to buy so and so's aquarium fertilizer? Sure thing but that small store who is making that fertilizer has to go get it tested through Canada.

So basically any small business can't sell to Canada. Only giant corps and small Canadian businesses.

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[–] SneeryLems396 12 points 5 hours ago

Pulling out of the Paris climate deal was a move against Russia in a round about way economically speaking. Also ending the nuclear noon proliferation tray because of Russia installation of medium range nukes on the European border. Very real sanctions implemented by the Trump administration. Pushing for more EU involvement in NATO and recent military maneuvering. Calling for a Maduro to step down. Showering Iranian disregard for the not proliferation deal Obama signed.

Trump isn't fucking around with Russia believe it or not and regardless of what the media will have you believe.

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[–] glaring-oryx 3 points 5 hours ago

Good info, thanks!

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[–] SneeryLems396 2 points 5 hours ago

Np, sorry about the typos.

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[–] InterracialWombat 2 points 3 hours ago

Ok so why is lifting sanctions then?

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[–] MayIServeYouWell -1 points an hour ago

I didn’t realize Trump was in charge of US oil production.

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[–] RumAndGames -8 points 7 hours ago

Wait, we're giving him credit for being "anti Russia" by encouraging one of America's most politically powerful (and specifically Republican aligned) industries?

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[–] glaring-oryx 16 points 6 hours ago

Yes, promoting American interests to the detriment of Russian interests. If he was owned by Putin like the left loves to claim wouldn't he be doing the opposite? Your shill game is weak.

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[–] RumAndGames -6 points 6 hours ago

The best part of these threads is the opportunity to block read hats.

But I'm glad I learned that every president to ever encourage powerful American business interests did so to fight the good fight against Russia.

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[–] glaring-oryx 8 points 6 hours ago

Muh read hats.

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[–] ImpressivePlayer 4 points 6 hours ago

Lmaoo you’re trolling right

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[–] nobody_import4nt 163 points 7 hours ago

He directly called out Angela Merkel for claiming Russia was the biggest enemy of Europe just a short time after she signed an oil deal with Russia.

Then he's made strong efforts to increase domestic oil production, which is drilling Russia in a place where the sun don't shine. Their entire economy right now is floating on oil. The pipeline to Europe is the most stable economic development for them in decades, and Trump is shitting all over it.

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[–] politicusmaximus 24 points 6 hours ago

He forced Merkel to stop buying their Natural Gas and I believe terminated the entire pipeline deal they had going. Not sure about that last part though.

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[–] **PopularArgument** 4 points 3 hours ago

The biggest irony is Europe continues to shit on their own fracking operations, which produces immense amount of natural gas, and instead chooses to buy from Russia. Sad!

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[–] **TauliaTagovailoa** 3 points 4 hours ago

Natural gas is their largest contribution to the Russian government.

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[–] **nobody_import4nt** 1 point 4 hours ago

corrected, i meant nat gas not oil.

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[–] **boomlookingforthis** 99 points 8 hours ago

Take the Nordstream-2 pipeline project as an example. Trump has been trying to get Europe to cancel it for a while now, even though this would HEAVILY increase Russia's supply of oil there. And oil pricing in Russia basically skyrocketed their economy AND leverage over Europe; canceling the pipeline project would be a huge slap in the face to Putin. And this would allow Europe's gas market open to the U.S, a big win for us Americans and the economy. Trump has also blatantly told Germany that their country is being "held captive" to Russia, not something you state lightly. Russia is losing a lot of money as well on metal import. Trump's tariff war imposed a 25% tax on all metal and 10% on aluminum import to Russia, which is hurting a lot of their companies. Sure, he might try, like any President, to keep relations okay between U.S and Russia, and sure our countries agree on ISIS and Syria, but at the end of the day, Trump is proving that he will step on Putin if it means America's well being.

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[–] **Trappist1** 45 points 7 hours ago

He just went against Russia in the Venezuela fiasco.

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[–] **Scudstock** 41 points 7 hours ago

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.cnbc.com/amp/2018/11/15/trump-duped-saudis-into-tanking-oil-prices-analysts-say.html

Trump's activity here was basically in direct assault to Russia and their "cash cow".

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[–] **SweetDig** 32 points 7 hours ago

Officially recognizing the opposition leader in Venezuela as president and denouncing Maduro who Russia supports. Taking it further by asking the world to choose a side.

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[–] **definitelyTrueStory** 2 points an hour ago

This has set the stage for a possible proxy war between Russia and U.S. If that were happen I am not sure if we would still be talking about Russian Collusion here in the U.S. or if suddenly we would only talk about how Trump was starting WWIII.

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[–] **2SCOOPS2TERMS410** 28 points 6 hours ago

Trumps administration lead military killed hundreds of Russians in Syria. Russia acted like they didn't know who they were and it was confirmed the dead bodies were Russians

Trumps policy is shoot to kill. No mercy. No leash holding back our military.

https://www.google.com/amp/amp.timeinc.net/thedrive/the-war-zone/19335/american-general-in-syria-confirms-us-forces-killed-hundreds-of-russians-in-massive-battle%3fsource=dam

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.newsweek.com/us-military-killed-200-russians-syria-airstrikes-pompeo-says-trump-considers-883947%3famp=1

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[–] **pedantic--asshole** 3 points 3 hours ago

Recognizing the new Venezuelan president was fairly anti-russia

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[–] **charles_martel34** 3 points 3 hours ago

He has publicly shit on Germany for being Putin's bitches for their dependence on Gazprom.

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[–] **IStoleYourWaifu** 1 point 26 minutes ago

He just released a pretty anti Russia statement about them violating the INF treaty.

https://twitter.com/ABC/status/1091332863793029120

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[–] **jzerocoolj** 11 points 7 hours ago

Obviously Putin's long con is making America great again because... reasons.

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[–] SneeryLems396 9 points 6 hours ago

Our media is out of control and actively working too influence opinion instead of just reporting facts, which is at the core of the news business their job. Goes for both sides but the majority of the media leans hard left. That BuzzFeed debacle a couple weeks ago is a perfect example. Same as the reporters getting fired from CNN for fabricating shit against Trump. Trump has enough skeletons they don't need to make stuff up and ya Trump is not Putin's buddy.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle 5 points 3 hours ago

Uh... He removed the sanctions that existed on an Oligarch and refuses to enforce the new sanctions that were unanimously agreed upon by congress... That's actually proof of the exact opposite of what you're trying to argue.

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[–] tfmeads 5 points 8 hours ago

Honest question- what sanctions? The only ones I'm aware of were the ones that were unanimously approved by Congress and was left ignored and completely unimplemented by the executive branch.

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[–] BvaHgx93 8 points 8 hours ago

https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/06/us/politics/trump-sanctions-russia-putin-oligarchs.html

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[–] Dubanx 8 points 8 hours ago

>Honest question- what sanctions? The only ones I'm aware of were the ones that were unanimously approved by Congress and was left ignored and completely unimplemented by the executive branch.

There's also the existing ones against Oleg Deripaska that he lifted

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[–] farmingpusy 2 points 8 hours ago

Sanctions? I was under the impression he’s always done everything in his power to lift sanctions. Sources?

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[–] boomlookingforthis -1 points 8 hours ago

Yes, I just worded that weirdly.

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[–] InterracialWombat 2 points 3 hours ago

No it just means he is playing the game smart.

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[–] HotRoger 1 point 7 hours ago

Lol. It's a show

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[–] worldwarz1124 1 point 5 hours ago

I think his denials over Russian interference in the election along with his unrecorded meetings with Putin might have something to do with people's suspicions

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[–] itshighbroom 1 point 6 hours ago

Meanwhile the Clinton's...

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[–] kobbled 0 points 2 hours ago

idk, I'll wait for Mueller to finish up

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[–] LeagueAdmin -1 points 2 hours ago

Lol what? Good to know one act of perceived 'goodness' can just negate anything else ive done in life.

If you think trump made that decision instead of someone else telling him it would be good to do I have a bridge to sell you.

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[–] Dubanx -3 points 8 hours ago

>sanctions

LOL, you mean the ones congress passed that he refuses to enforce?

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[–] pinkalligator333 -7 points 8 hours ago

He might be doing it as a distraction

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[–] boomlookingforthis 8 points 8 hours ago

That's an assumption, though. Look at my other messages describing what he has done against them.

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[–] TheNipplerCrippler 0 points 3 hours ago

But what about the literal mounds of evidence pointing to the opposite?

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[–] Optimal_Towel -8 points 7 hours ago

Get off reddit Donald.

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[–] boomlookingforthis 7 points 7 hours ago

I support Donald, that makes me Donald?

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[–] SquanchingOnPao 25 points 7 hours ago

He is one of the staunchest defenders of Israel yet he is still literally hitler.

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[–] boones_farmer 5 points 5 hours ago

Except of course that Russia isn't worried about Ukrainian weapons, there is no way Ukraine is ever going to match Russia militarily, but so long as Putin has to at least pretend he isn't straight up invading they can't really use their full strength.

Putin *wants* an escalation in Ukraine. It's like Israeli hardliners in Palestine, peace doesn't really serve their purpose. The more rocks that get thrown, or ineffectual rockets launched the more they can bomb the shit out buildings and force the Palestinian people further out of their territory.

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[–] KhajiitHasSkooma 4 points 6 hours ago

Did you for once think that escalation is exactly what Russia wants in Ukraine? Putin needs an excuse to deploy troops. Chaos and loss of "Russia" life as a result of escalation is the exact excuse he needs.

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[–] crimsonpowder 6 points 6 hours ago

I did think about this. The previous US admin that has verifiable $ ties to russia sponsored euromaidan, which helped russia annex 3 oblasts. The current admin is doing the opposite so it's obvious the current approach is better.

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[–] gurrauthor 4 points 6 hours ago

> My family is Ukrainian. We hate Russia more than feminazis hate men.

I would be stunned if after Holodomor any Ukrainian liked any Russian.

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[–] crimsonpowder 4 points 5 hours ago

They're not even the same people as us. Ukrainians are Slavic Cossacks, Russians are Finno-Urdic tribesmen mixed with Mongols.

I know that in the US everyone thinks that "white people" is one thing and that racism is this cut & dry thing, but that's wrong. Two groups of white people can hate each other for good reason, one of those reasons being they starved 7 million of us.

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[–] gurrauthor 2 points an hour ago

I mean murderin 7 million people would do it for me. And the Russians weren't even decent enough to shoot them in the head. They just let them starve to death.

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[–] ConspiratorM 1 point 4 hours ago

He's had multiple meetings with Putin without any other Americans there to witness what was discussed, something that is completely unprecedented. No note takers, no interpreters, no one. He has on at least three occasions repeated pure Russian propaganda that has no basis in reality and is not believe by anyone outside of the Russian government. Some of that was meant to cause problems within NATO. He also has continuously undermined and insulted all our intelligence agencies and everyone that works for them.

In addition many of his people improperly met with Russians during the campaign and leading up to his inauguration, and subsequently and repeatedly lied about those meetings. And, of course, he and his campaign asked Russia to help with exposing Clinton's emails.

But nothing to see there. Everything that our intelligence heads (his appointees by the way) said in a public hearing the other day was apparently doctored in real time by "fake news".

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[–] Analrapist03 1 point 4 minutes ago

With all due respect, I am not sure you understand "the collusion question". It is not whether Trump will do anything that will hurt Russia, but rather is he a Russian asset? Assets can be working against their will or truly lacking volition, and that might be the case here. However, if you are skeptical of such a connection (and indeed we all should be), ask yourself why is Trump doing something? In doing so, ask whether his unprecedented action would weaken the USA or dislodge it from being the dominant world power. Virtually always the answer is that it somehow weakens or degrades the USA. Admittedly, there are a number of US citizens and politicians who seem more than happy to oblige in these attempts to degrade the world stature and relationships of the USA, but it is more than a bit distressing that so many of Trump's decisions/policies can be explained with such a simple algorithm. Oh yeah, and the 97 indictments of 30+ people, many of whom chose to lie to the US government instead of saying what they actually did. What would infect so many individuals on the same topic or purpose?

Also, this is mere public acknowledgement of the provision of weapon systems, not that it did not happen previously. I hope you understand that there are many, many ways to transfer weapon systems to an international party if you want to do so. " In a rare show of bipartisanship in 2014, the US Congress passed the Ukraine Freedom Support Act, which appropriated $350 million in security assistance, including anti-tank and anti-armor weapons, to the government of Ukraine to defend its territorial integrity. Despite strong congressional backing, **President Barack Obama decided not to authorize the US government sale or financing of lethal weapons to Ukraine.** However, this policy did not prevent the private export of US-made lethal weapons to Ukraine. " (https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/blogs/ukrainealert/lethal-weapons-to-ukraine-a-primer) Emphasis is mine. So probably what we are seeing is that there is no way to deny that the weapons are already there, And maybe a recognition that this may turn out to be a problem (focal point in case of a scandal) for the US populace to turn to in the middle of a prolonged internal scandal? OR maybe he dun good on this one. I'll wait to judge.

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[–] **Emperor_Cartagia** -2 points 8 hours ago

One positive doesn't outway all the negative.

If you're running a bank, and you hire a new manager, who actively courted the affections and friendship of a group of professional bank robbers, and he fired your security, hired new security who all at one point also were associates of the robbers, left the vault open, front doors unlocked, left the keys to the safety deposit boxes... Oh! But he also upgraded the security system.

You don't ignore the rest and think it's coincidence. Especially when it doesn't make a difference and the robbers aren't dissuaded by the upgraded system at all.

You think Putin or the rest of his cronies give a damn if Ukraine was better armed? If it cost a few more soldiers to invade? That's the cost of the optics to them, not proof they don't pull Donnie boys strings.

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[–] **crimsonpowder** 2 points 8 hours ago

I totally get what you're saying. We have to establish a good basis though. I don't think that he hired associates of his bank cronies or left the vault open, etc. There's enough evidence of sanctions, NATO finally getting more funding after his pressure, an armed ukraine, pressure on EU to use our oil&gas and not russia's (fucking russia's economy), and the air strikes in syria that dispel the collusion story.

I like your username, by the way!

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[–] **Emperor_Cartagia** -1 points 4 hours ago

>I don't think that he hired associates of his bank cronies or left the vault open, etc.

All the people involved in his campaign, transition team, and White House staff that have down for corruption, conspiracy, or acting as foreign agents are direct analogs to hiring associates of the bank robbers, trying to halt any and all investigations into collusion or foreign influence is leaving the door open, even if he's innocent himself, he's such a poor employee he deserves to be let go.

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[–] **LeagueAdmin** -2 points 2 hours ago

Nice posting in the_donald, im sure you arent biased at all.

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[–] **peta_pipa** -9 points 8 hours ago

> the collusion question should have evaporated.

yeah if you ignore literally everything else in the world

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[–] **crimsonpowder** 4 points 8 hours ago

I would like to think that the fact I can dress myself and work in society means I don't ignore everything else in the world.

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[–] **briaen** 111 points 9 hours ago

It's weird that Putin would allow that, you know, him being a Russian asset and all. I guess Putin is playing 4d chess.

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[–] **glaring-oryx** 157 points 8 hours ago

Almost like the whole Russian thing is just political shenanigans that doesn't hold water.

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[–] **ggthrowaway1081** 122 points 7 hours ago

So this is Reddit outside of /r/politics, how refreshing.

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[–] russian_proofster 31 points 6 hours ago

/r/politics is actually mostly bots/shills doing the upvoting and commenting, just looking at reddit demographics the upvote amounts on the posts don't make sense at all.
With the subs name being the neutral /r/politics it's a great trap for feeding uninformed people and kids literal propaganda.

What's ironic is that the actual shills and bots (used to) call people who disagree them as "russian bots". It doesn't make any sense considering the right-wingers don't really need to resort to that since the 4chan autists shitpost for free

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[–] DontMakeMeDownvote 21 points 6 hours ago

Yeah wow holy shit.

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[–] NPC544544 11 points 5 hours ago

I feel like I'm in the twilight zone. It's incredible.

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[–] SmoteySmote 10 points 7 hours ago

Ha! Nice comment!

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[–] itshighbroom 7 points 4 hours ago

i got banned from there because I said that we should give people due process when they are accused of crimes from 30 years ago.

Some dude threatened to rape and kill me and my family and he still regularly posts there.

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[–] A-Z-1-3 6 points 3 hours ago

In my experience it's not usually like this even outside of /r/politics, so this is very refreshing indeed

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[–] KerbalFactorioLeague -3 points 2 hours ago

You know we can see your reddit history right? Like, it's painfully obvious that you're all from t_d. Pathetic

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[–] ggthrowaway1081 2 points 2 hours ago

Lel look at the Chapo shill over here.

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[–] jumpifnotzero 34 points 8 hours ago

Almost like the only real collusion found was from Hillary Clinton's campaign hiring FusionGPS who bought "intelligence" from foreign nations including Russia.

Oh I forgot, it's ok to buy "opposition research" from Russia, but holy hell, if you take and leave a meeting with someone connected to Russia, that's serious!

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[–] gideonbayle 15 points 7 hours ago

oh the collusion goes far deeper than that. uranium one. Biden's son. Tony Podesta. Paul Manafort (remember he was a Clinton crony before he worked for Trump). Perkins Coie. Slick Willy's speaking fees. etc etc

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[–] Servebotfrank 0 points 2 hours ago

Nah, Russia definitely wanted Trump to get elected. However, Trump is such a wild card it's not going as planned for them.

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[–] JBleezy1979 2 points an hour ago

I think the Russians were just as sure as we all were that Clinton was going to win the presidency. I believe they were getting close to Trump to hopefully gain opposition research on her so they would have more leverage against her once she took office.

Maybe I sound crazy, but I have a hard time believing the Russians have a better undestanding of the political winds than our own pollsters that got it wrong.

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[–] Servebotfrank 2 points an hour ago

I figured they just wanted to be sure that whoever won had a divided political base. Trump basically took care of that himself, Clinton's was more behind the scenes so they had to leak stuff on her to ruin her already terrible credibility to the moderates.

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[–] BeefSerious -4 points 8 hours ago

So the people that were sent to jail were done so unjustly?
The people with all the evidence against them?

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[–] LobsterWithAnOpinion 23 points 7 hours ago

Which ones were charged with anything related to "Russian collusion"?

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[–] throwaway1liner 1 point an hour ago

Michael Flynn plead guilty to lying to investigators about his contacts with a Russian ambassador.

George Papadopoulos plead guilty similarly to lying to investigators about his contacts with Russian officials.

Over a dozen Russian nationals have been indicted and over a dozen Russian intel officers have been charged with conspiring to influence the 2016 presidential election.

Several others connected to Trump's campaign have been popped for conspiring with Ukranian officials.

More info: https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2018/2/20/17031772/mueller-indictments-grand-jury

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[–] LobsterWithAnOpinion 4 points an hour ago

I see process crimes, I see a country that isn't Russia, I see Russians who have not been shown to be affiliated with the Trump team, and I see a Vox (lol) link. What I don't see is Russian collusion. Any day now though amirite

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[–] throwaway1liner 0 points an hour ago

Flynn and Papadopoulos were not popped for "process crimes". They were popped because they lied to investigators about Russian contacts. There's a reason that these types of attempts to disrupt investigations are crimes - it prevents people from committing crimes and then make it impossible to bring them to justice. This is textbook for any major conspiracy investigation.

I don't know the exact details when it comes to what Manafort plead guilty to (I'm not sure if everything's been released) but the significance of the Ukrainian officials is that there is a possible link to Russian officials

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[–] LobsterWithAnOpinion 2 points an hour ago

Lying is a process crime. What they were alleged to have lied about isn't relevant to the charge. If it was conspiracy, they would have been charged with conspiracy. But hey weren't. Because it didn't happen.

Manafort was indicted for things that happened a decade before the election, therefore his legal issues are entirely irrelevant.

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[–] throwaway1liner 1 point an hour ago

Papadopoulos had contacts with Russian's related to "dirt" on Clinton while working on the Trump campaign. His false statement was a claim that he had those contacts prior to joining the campaign. This is clearly relevant to the charge.

Source: https://www.justice.gov/file/1007346/download

Flynn's specific lie was claiming not to have discussed sanctions with a Russian diplomat while on Trump's transition team.

Source: https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/special-counsel-rejects-suggestion-by-flynns-attorneys-that-he-was-misled-in-fbi-interview/2018/12/14/e604878e-ffdd-11e8-ad40-cdfd0e0dd65a_story.html?utm_term=.bc644cdaa1d1

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[–] LobsterWithAnOpinion 1 point 44 minutes ago

Opposition research isn't a crime, which is why he was charged with a process crime (a crime that only exists because of the investigation) and not for gathering opposition research.

If Flynn's conversations were tantamount to conspiracy, or collusion, he would have been charged for that. But yet again, he was charged for a process crime (a crime that only exists because of the investigation), and not for his actual conversations.

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[–] throwaway1liner 1 point 9 minutes ago

The opposition research Papadopoulos was given was obtained illegally, hence the investigation.

The part of the Flynn case we (the public) don't know are what info he's given as part of his plea deal. All we know is it's been sufficient for Mueller to recommend a light sentence.

https://www.cnbc.com/2018/12/04/robert-mueller-sentencing-memo-for-former-trump-advisor-michael-flynn.html

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[–] glaring-oryx 14 points 7 hours ago

Some, such as Flynn, yes, absolutely. Papadopoulos was a giant nothing-burger. Manafort on tax evasion is 100% irrelevant to Trump. Cohen has been trying to burn Trump but has provided nothing substantial. Stone is shaping up to be another nothing-burger. Please, enlighten me, what evidence is it you speak of?

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[–] gideonbayle 11 points 7 hours ago

Manafort's tax evasion actually happened while he was working for Tony Podesta (brother to Hillary Clinton's campaign manager's brother and Clinton crony) and the podesta group. Charges had to do with the Podesta group which implicated Tony as well. But Tony walks away scot free.

Papadapoulos was a setup. Go listen to the interview conducted by Dan Bongino on his podcast.

Flynn was also a setup. Flynn's "perjury" was that he told the FBI interviewers a lie based on a conversation he had, which nothing illegal happened or was discussed during, which was classified and these interviewers should not have had clearance nor need to know to hear said conversation. Let alone the laws violated for unmasking an American citizen without request or authorization.

Cohen is a snake, and has literally told nothing but PROVABLE lies in order to attempt to save his own ass and his malpractice.

Roger Stone is going to be a circus. This guy has done nothing wrong, has EVIDENCE disproving every claim, and gives ZERO fucks about putting the whole thing on blast and tearing it down.

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[–] retisense 3 points 7 hours ago

Who's in jail? No one. What were the charges? Do a modicum of research, dude.

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[–] Royalhghnss 1 point 3 hours ago

Manafort is in jail no?

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[–] ForHumans 1 point 7 hours ago

Most of the charges are for process crimes resulting from the investigation. They're arresting people for "crimes" like lying to congress/FBI agents, yet the Bush/Obama/Clinton dynasty is replete with examples of comparable liars facing zero consequence.

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[–] retisense 1 point 6 hours ago

I am very aware.

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[–] ForHumans 1 point 2 hours ago

Ya we were tag teaming homie

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[–] RumAndGames -9 points 7 hours ago

I mean, how many actual indictments will it take to pierce your veil of delusion?

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[–] glaring-oryx 14 points 6 hours ago

Maybe indictments with substance? Manafort for tax evasion completely irrelevant to Trump? Flynn caught in a perjury trap? Cohen doing everything possible to burn Trump but producing nothing of substance? Papadopoulos? Stone? There is nothing and it has been 2 years.

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[–] politicusmaximus 9 points 6 hours ago

100% of the indictments from the special council are process crimes resulting from the special council perjury trapping.

Literally no actual crime has been prosecuted by the special council except for 12 year old tax fraud crimes by Manafort when he worked for the Podesta's.

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[–] Superunknown_7 0 points 2 hours ago

> process crimes resulting from the special council perjury trapping.

You have no idea what these words mean.

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[–] HotRoger -17 points 7 hours ago

Back to td, pedeo

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[–] glaring-oryx 7 points 7 hours ago

At this point I have no idea if you are being facetious.

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[–] WolfWhoRules 6 points 8 hours ago

I always say that most western nations are playing Diplomay.

China, Rusia and a few others are playing World Domination. And no one notices.

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[–] Frenchie_Von_Richter (deleted by user) 1 point 8 hours ago

Or maybe, uh, idk, he's not a Russian asset. And just some rich guy that got elected President cause he got the right votes in the right spots.

His critics want it both ways - he's an idiot buffoon AND a mastermind Russian colluder. My money's on the former.

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[–] Egan109 5 points 9 hours ago

Things defiantly not simmering down over there since Russia recently blocked off half of Ukraine's access to the the black sea

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[–] Jethris 2 points 9 hours ago

Things will not simmer down. They will simmer up!

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[–] boomlookingforthis (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

Trump has done so much against Russia that it blows my mind people still think he is Putin's puppet. Arming Ukraine, sanctions, come on.

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[–] KingAlfredOfEngland 1 point 27 minutes ago

Trump's personality and words are a smokescreen and I, like most people, have no idea what lies underneath it. The nuclear weapons thing is probably the first glimpse through it that we've gotten in a while.

I disagree with Trump on a lot of things, but I don't think that he's a Russian puppet. I think that he colluded with the Russians in the same way that Nixon colluded with the Vietnamese and the Chinese to keep the Vietnam war ongoing through the LBJ administration. He was never allied with Russia, they simply both thought that their temporarily seeming like friends would put them at an advantage against the other.

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[–] NeuroSciCommunist (deleted by user) 1 point 26 minutes ago

When has claiming somebody else's territory ever been legal? Should the US give up Hawaii?

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[–] FatSputnik 0 points an hour ago

ukraine is controlled by russia right now. They are using those weapons against their own "rebels", dude.

christ.

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[–] Iamnotarobotchicken -1 points 7 hours ago

In fairness he seems happy to sell guns to anybody so this is a good aspect of a more morally complex policy.

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[–] politicusmaximus 2 points 6 hours ago

I think it's funny that you are referencing the Saudi arms deal, but you have no idea that deal was really about the Saudi's helping us fight Iran backed terrorists.

Also no one in the media would have given two flying fucks about Khashoggi if it wasn't a way to hurt Trump politically. Erdogan fucking killed hundreds of journalist, judges and professors... not a peep from the media on that. The Saudis kill one with extreme ties to radial islamic terrorist groups and the media loses their shit.

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[–] Iamnotarobotchicken 2 points 5 hours ago

They are, in an inhumane unrestrained kind of way...

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[–] CordageMonger -1 points 6 hours ago

You know that those Ukrainians are Nazis right?

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[–] TysonButterbean 1295 points 15 hours ago

Veterans affairs

- Signed the VA Accountability Act and expanded VA telehealth services, walk-in-clinics, and same-day urgent primary and mental health care.
- Delivered more appeals decisions – 81,000 – to veterans in a single year than ever before.
- Strengthened protections for individuals who come forward and identify programs occurring within the VA.
- Signed legislation that provided $86.5 billion in funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the largest dollar amount in history for the VA.
- VA MISSION Act, enacting sweeping reform to the VA system that:
  - Consolidated and strengthened VA community care programs.
  - Funding for the Veterans Choice program.

    - Expanded eligibility for the Family Caregivers Program.
    - Gave veterans more access to walk-in care.
    - Strengthened the VA's ability to recruit and retain quality healthcare professionals.
    - Enabled the VA to modernize its assets and infrastructure.
- Signed the VA Choice and Quality Employment Act in 2017, which authorized $2.1 billion in addition funds for the Veterans Choice Program.
- Worked to shift veterans' electronic medical records to the same system used by the Department of Defense, a decades old priority.
- Issued an executive order requiring the Secretaries of Defense, Homeland Security, and Veterans Affairs to submit a joint plan to provide veterans access to access to mental health treatment as they transition to civilian life.
- Increased transparency and accountability at the VA by launching an online "Access and Quality Tool," providing veterans with access to wait time and quality of care data.
- Signed legislation to modernize the claims and appeal process at the VA.
- Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act, providing enhanced educational benefits to veterans, service members, and their family members.
    - Lifted a 15-year limit on veterans' access to their educational benefits.
- Created a White House VA Hotline to help veterans and principally staffed it with veterans and direct family members of veterans.
- VA employees are being held accountable for poor performance, with more than 4,000 VA employees removed, demoted, and suspended so far.
- Signed the Veterans Treatment Court Improvement Act, increasing the number of VA employees that can assist justice-involved veterans.

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[–] **notsurewhatiam** **15 points** 3 hours ago

Nice

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[–] **OskEngineer** **9 points** 3 hours ago

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[–] **GruberHof** **6 points** 2 hours ago

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[–] **[deleted]** **1 point** 14 hours ago

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[–] **judgecucken72** **-20 points** 6 hours ago

Haha nothing says winning quite like ripping an entire fake news article word-for-word and regurgitating it like a good li'l NPC.

Trump derangement syndrome has done a number on my fellow Americans.

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[–] **Fatkungfuu** **13 points** 4 hours ago

All these flavors and you choose salty

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[–] **judgecucken72** **-7 points** 4 hours ago

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[–] **Fatkungfuu** **5 points** 4 hours ago

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[–] **judgecucken72 (deleted by user)** **1 point** 3 hours ago

Nice heart, here's a rocket ship for ya ()):::::::::::D~~

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[–] **Alucard_draculA** **-38 points** 6 hours ago

I work with VA nearly every day. VA is literally the worst it has ever been right now.

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[–] **ip_g_chodder** **36 points** 5 hours ago

Can you back that up with evidence that isn't anecdotal?

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[–] **Alucard_draculA** **-34 points** 5 hours ago

I could give direct quotes from 40 or so recipients of VA about the massive decline in quality over the past few years. However I'm sure the users over at t_d that are brigading these responses wouldn't care about that in the same way they don't care about actual veterans; They just like to put on an appearance of care.

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[–] ip_g_chodder 28 points 5 hours ago

The reason I asked for evidence that isn't anecdotal is because you can just make up quotes by people that don't exist. So is the answer "no", do you not have any hard evidence?

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[–] Alucard_draculA -15 points 5 hours ago

Meanwhile, we're literally still dealing with the crap from https://federalnewsnetwork.com/workforce/2017/04/va-says-hiring-freeze-is-over-except-for-thousands-of-headquarters-jobs/

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[–] ip_g_chodder 14 points 3 hours ago

Your article from 2017 fails to comprise updates to waiving of the hiring freeze.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/wp/2017/01/25/federal-hiring-freeze-will-be-waived-for-va-jobs-with-public-safety-missions-agency-says/

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 5 points 2 hours ago

The appearance of care like pulling them out of a warzone?

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[–] Groggolog -264 points 12 hours ago

90% of your posts are just random stuff that has happened while trump was president, that hes had nothing to do with. A lot of it is even negatives that you just frame as positives because trump did it. What a joke.

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[–] TysonButterbean 221 points 11 hours ago

r/copingwithtds

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[–] PM_YOUR_HEELS_GIRLS 4 points an hour ago

But but cheeto man is a meanie because he wants to enforce laws!

Sent from my cry-closet

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[–] grassshrimp 136 points 10 hours ago

The joke is your snarky, factless post to someone who thoroughly and factually answered the question. And you get a gold. LOL, this is the joke.

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[–] Lenny_Kravitz2 78 points 4 hours ago

Probably gilded himself tbh.

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[–] dragosol 1 point an hour ago

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[–] theawesomeone 122 points 10 hours ago

Orange man bad!

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[–] Anubis4574 35 points 3 hours ago

Evidence that orange man is bad

"I reject your evidence! It was cuz of Obama!"

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[–] duhvorced 117 points 11 hours ago

>~~random stuff~~ Legislation that has happened while trump was president

FTFY. The "random stuff" you're referring to is legislation that's been passed while Trump is in office. It may seem like Trump is just sitting idly by (and, who knows, maybe he is), but the office of the President is an integral part of the legislative process. Thus, President's get credit for legislation passed under their administration,

Why? Because the Constitution ensures there's a separation of powers in the legislative process:

1. Congress creates the legislation
2. The President decides whether to approve or veto them

If a President is doing his/her job right, to outside observers it will look a lot like Congress is doing all the heavy lifting, "*Congress labored for months to get a Bill passed. All the President has to do is sign it!"* However the President is (or should be) just as involved in those months of work as congress because if the Congress is sending Bills to the President that he/she has to veto, it's a huge waste of

time. And if they're collectively seen as wasting time by the Public, they tend to tend to find themselves out of a job come the next election.

Thus, Congress and the President are strongly motivated to work together, meaning they both get credit for any legislation that does get passed.

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[–] **Rust_Dawg 89 points** 11 hours ago

I bet if Hillary was doing any of this you'd be fully on board

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[–] **icon0clast6 124 points** 11 hours ago

Kinda like all the Democrats that voted to fund a border security package including more physical barriers, but now that Trump wants it, it's racist and immoral.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 146 points** 10 hours ago

Yeah or like when Hillary authored the 'Reset with Russia' policy and posed with a giant 'Reset' button in the White House and nobody blinked, and then she paid for Kremlin dirt on Trump but then Trump was the one investigated for collusion with Russia.

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[–] **alsgirl2002 59 points** 7 hours ago

You forgot how her husband started the Clinton Foundation, and then she approved the sale of US Uranium to Russia, and then waddyaknow, the Clinton Foundation gets a big donation from.....wait! Wait for it! Russia!

No corruption there. Just some uranium and some Russians. Nothing to see here.

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[–] **snaynay 12 points** 3 hours ago

Was that before or after Mueller delivered the sample there?

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[–] **crimsonpowder 31 points** 8 hours ago

I think this is important to understand. People are only against all of this stuff because of the person doing it. That speaks volumes.

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[–] **ILiveInAMango -23 points** 10 hours ago

Ah, the narrative that it was the democrats who thought of making Trumps wall. There's a difference between more border security and a wall that will cost an indefinitely billions of dollars.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 62 points** 10 hours ago

Uh we lost more money during the shutdown than Trump was even asking for for the wall. We lose like 40x the amount every year from illegal immigration. It was never even remotely about the $, it was about not wanting to give Trump a win.

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[–] **ILiveInAMango -33 points** 9 hours ago

Trump took all federal employees hostage and asked the democrats for the wall for ransom. That’s not in any way okay. If the dems gave in it would have set an ugly precedent for future negotiations.

And if Trump cared about money he wouldn’t have shut down the government.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 59 points** 9 hours ago

I remember Trump asking for $5B vs his original ask of $25B and Pelosi shutting down the government because she wouldn't give him one dollar, because walls are now racist, even though they weren't racist a few years ago when Democrats funded one. So yeah.

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[–] **iranintoawall -6 points** 4 hours ago

I remember there being reports of a funding bill being passed by Congress that the president refused to sign unless wall spending was included. Not sure how the shut down become a fault of the Democrats. I could be extremely ignorant of things.

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[–] **ILiveInAMango -20 points** 8 hours ago

These guys made a thing a couple years ago. Why do they suddenly oppose making it even bigger now? I thought they loved that thing. Hypocrisy!

There’s a difference between Trumps wall and normal border control. You can support border control and still be against that particular prestige project.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 48 points** 8 hours ago

I'm glad you can at least admit to being against it because it will make Trump look good. It is pretty embarrassing when people come at you with the 'it costs too much!/wildlife!/walls don't work!' shit.

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[–] **Arrow26** 49 points 8 hours ago

Sorry, that's a lie.

The Republicans twice proposed paying the federal employees despite the shutdown and the left refused.

https://thehill.com/homenews/house/425858-house-rejects-gop-measure-to-pay-workers-but-not-open-government

Why would they do that? Its almost as though the left are just using federal employees as hostages.

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[–] **nakedjay** 30 points 8 hours ago

Plus, that doesn't even include the Senate measure to approve paying the Coast Guard which had nothing to do with border security and every single Democrat voted against it.

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[–] **politicusmaximus** 27 points 9 hours ago

The 5.7 billion dollars he was requesting is about 12 hours of government funding.

BPA has been telling anyone who will listen they need a wall so they can put more people at checkpoints and less people patrolling open border areas. No one will listen, the media refuses to put them on TV.

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[–] **iownacat** 21 points 8 hours ago

If you think the democrats are desperately fighting to keep the border open because they give a fuck about a few billion dollars, then you are a special kind of stupid.

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[–] **ILiveInAMango** -8 points 8 hours ago

And if you think there's no border control unless Trump gets his wall then you also are a special kind.

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[–] **iownacat** 24 points 8 hours ago

I see strawman arguments are all you are reduced to....

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[–] **ILiveInAMango** 1 point 7 hours ago

I mimicked your comment. "If you think..." is always a straw man. And you called me special kind of stupid. So I don't see how you're trying to take the high ground here.

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[–] **iownacat** 14 points 7 hours ago

Excuse me, what? I was addressing a specific point OP was attempting to make, you did not do the same thing. I take it you dont work in STEM do you?

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[–] **ILiveInAMango** 0 points 6 hours ago

Look I don't want to fight you. I don't usually comment on these kinds of topics and now I'm certain that I should stay away from it. You don't learn anything from it and I don't learn anything from it. In the end we both get stressed and annoyed that the other part doesn't understand.

We both come with different views and facts. If I had all your facts and experience about the world I would probably have the same opinions as you. And you would have the same opinions as me vice versa.

It actually stresses me immensely that the "opponent"(e.g. you) isn't stupid or evil. You just read different things than me and weigh different problems higher than others. And what I feel is the impending doom is your paradise. And we both feel that everything is going downwards.

What I want to say with all this is that reddit and every text based discussion is soo bad for political discussion. It's not possible to change any opinion with a comment. Perhaps it radicalises us both. So what I have learned from this evening where I posted political comments on reddit is that we need to find what we agree on before we can discuss anything.

And I actually work in STEM. I'm a medical student with a year left of my education. While I agree that it can be an advantage to have an academic background when you talk about politics it certainly can't help you win an argument on reddit. :/

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[–] **iownacat** 1 point an hour ago

Yeah its cool, I apologize, I was being kind of a dick in the way that I phrased my comment. Like you said, online discussion tends to gravitate downwards and I find myself jumping to 100 too easily. Anyway, I think one can definitely make the argument that it is simply *not believable* that the democrats are concerned about the cost of this this thing. So I kind of completely discount that argument out of hand. Thanks for the thoughtful reply.

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[–] sachmosam -1 points 8 hours ago

Seriously question though.... How do you remember to breathe on a daily basis to stay alive being this stupid? Asking for my liberal friend.

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[–] TargusNazg 7 points 8 hours ago

They funded border 'barriers' and fences.

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[–] philly2shoes 30 points 10 hours ago

sad liberal is sad!

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[–] ShineSilently 27 points 11 hours ago

Maybe, but are you mad because he literally answered the question?

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[–] NPChalmers 21 points 6 hours ago

Yeah I'm sure this would have happened under Democrats who want to raise taxes on the poor and middle class, ship jobs overseas and let in millions of low skill workers to further drive down American wages /s

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[–] fong_hofmeister 21 points 9 hours ago

#OrangeManBad

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[–] bagelmanman35 17 points 6 hours ago

Liberal mental gymnastics are getting even further out of hand than anyone thought possible.

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[–] Roflcopter100 10 points 5 hours ago

/r/negativewithgold

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[–] Crixus_Crack 6 points 11 hours ago

Lol u mad

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[–] Flashbangy 6 points 7 hours ago

AAHAHAHHAAHHAAHAHHAAHAHAHHAHAAHAHAHAHAHHAAHHAAHAHAHHAHAHAHAAH

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[–] sachmosam 3 points 8 hours ago

Anyone hear from Groggolog? Should they be on suicide watch?

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[–] Mokyadv -8 points 9 hours ago

Positive and negative is all based on frame of reference. Stating the points above are negatives is just as valid as someone stating the points are positives. The only joke is the lack of understanding of the multiple sides of an argument and the failure to provide any information to strengthen your opinion on why the points are negatives.

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[–] RampantPrototyping -34 points 11 hours ago

Russian bots man...

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[–] Gazmatron90 20 points 7 hours ago

Imagine being so delusional and programmed by NPCs that you think anyone who doesn't share your opinion is a bot. You guys are hilarious

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[–] RampantPrototyping -16 points 7 hours ago

Its even not about the opinion, its the systematic large scale upvoting and gilding of a guy who's copying and pasting this from a word document. Something seems off.

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[–] Anubis4574 8 points 3 hours ago

He accurately answered the question with tons of substantive data. This is the exact type of answer to a question we should encourage, regardless of whether you like the message or not.

"Uh guys...conservative voices are being allowed on this thread. Do something!!!"

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[–] robert9712000 6 points 4 hours ago

He probably did copy it from a word document he created when he researched everything Trump did. Should he have memorized every accomplishment of Trump's Presidency?

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[–] Jackpot807 18 points 11 hours ago

Hey it's me, a Russian bot

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[–] RampantPrototyping -25 points 8 hours ago

Lol I went from 10 upvotes to -5 in no time. Looks like the Russians have mobilized

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[–] toast_across 26 points 7 hours ago

Or you posted something stupid.

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[–] RampantPrototyping -8 points 6 hours ago

You think that the guy copying and pasting shit from a word document getting super-upvoted and gilded is regular reddit behavior?

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[–] toast_across 19 points 6 hours ago

When you live in a world where the news cycle changes every twenty minutes, you have to keep this stuff stored if you are actually going to make informed points.

Is your arguement that he's "too informed" to be a regular redditor? Because that's hilarious if it is.

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[–] RampantPrototyping -3 points 6 hours ago

You missed the point of what I was saying. Read it again

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[–] toast_across 19 points 6 hours ago

No I didn't. I addressed what I considered to be the more poignant of your two points.

Allow to address the other:

The thing I have observed about people suffering from TDS is that they tend to cut everyone out of their lives who isn't a rabid Trump hater. Then after they are sufficiently insulated, the forget that most people don't hate the President as much as they do. So people like you become incredulous and blame phantom "Russians" when they are brought face to face with the fact that there are millions of people who are favorable towards the president.

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[–] RampantPrototyping -1 points 6 hours ago

Take the politics and assumptions of my biases out of it. I will point out inconsistencies and irregularities where I find them, regardless of what it's about. Instead of assuming that I'm suffering from "TDS", please feel free to go through my post history and notice the lack of liberal political activity. If I see a guy copying and pasting preprepared content that is getting systematically upvoted and gilded with a similar number of upvotes in a quick time frame, I will recognize that after being on Reddit for almost 10 years, something seems off. Especially when it is an undisputed fact that political bots exist and are used as a weapon to sway public opinions. If these posts were about liberal accolades I would still call it out to bots. In this case, it is about Trump.

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[–] snaynay 3 points 3 hours ago

Maybe that was just a guy who realised he had all the information and it was his time to shine?

But in all seriousness, there is a culture in TD to record and archive news simply due to the current state of the media.

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[–] TysonButterbean 1243 points 15 hours ago

American Income

- Median household income rose to $61,372 in 2017, a post-recession high.
- Wages up in August by their fastest rate since June 2009.

- Paychecks rose by 3.3 percent between 2016 and 2017, the most in a decade.
- Council of Economic Advisers found that real wage compensation has grown by 1.4 percent over the past year.
- Some 3.9 million Americans off food stamps since the election.
- Median income for Hispanic-Americans rose by 3.7 percent and surpassed $50,000 for the first time ever in history.
    - Home-ownership among Hispanics is at the highest rate in nearly a decade.
- Poverty rates for African-Americans and Hispanic-Americans have reached their lowest levels ever recorded.

American Optimism

- Small business optimism has hit historic highs.
    - NFIB's small business optimism index broke a 35 year-old record in August.
    - SurveyMonkey/CNBC's small business confidence survey for Q3 of 2018 matched its all-time high.
- Manufacturers are more confident than ever.
    - 95 percent of U.S. manufacturers are optimistic about the future, the highest ever.
- Consumer confidence is at an 18-year high.
- 12 percent of Americans rate the economy as the most significant problem facing our country, the lowest level on record.
- Confidence in the economy is near a two-decade high, with 51 percent rating the economy as good or excellent.

American Business

- Investment is flooding back into the United States due to the tax cuts.
    - Over $450 billion dollars has already poured back into the U.S., including more than $300 billion in the first quarter of 2018.
- Retail sales have surged. Commerce Department figures from August show that retail sales increased 0.5 percent in July 2018, an increase of 6.4 percent from July 2017.
- ISM's index of manufacturing scored its highest reading in 14 years.
- Worker productivity is the highest it has been in more than three years.
- Steel and aluminum producers are re-opening.
- Dow Jones Industrial Average, S&P 500, and NASDAQ have all notched record highs.
    - Dow hit record highs 70 times in 2017 alone, the most ever recorded in one year.

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[–] **RumAndGames** **-26 points** 11 hours ago

> Median household income rose to $61,372 in 2017, a post-recession high.

I thought this was a list of things Trump has done, not economic stats.

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[–] **fong_hofmeister** **54 points** 9 hours ago

He somehow helped the economy avoid the collapse so many experts predicted upon his election.

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[–] **tricks_23** **27 points** 10 hours ago

What is responsible for it then?

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[–] **RumAndGames** **-17 points** 10 hours ago

...economic growth? Do I really need to explain correlation =/=causality.

Shit, I'm not even contending that Trump hasn't impacted the economy positively. I'm just saying that no one with half a brain just lists every event that happens during a presidency and says "the president did it."

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[–] **tricks_23** **30 points** 10 hours ago

No, I understand what you mean. But there appears to be a common trend here of [positive] = he inherited it from Obama, and [negative] = directly his fault, and definitely not Obama.

I'm not even American, nor debate that Obama was a fantastic president, but the anti-Trump stuff is getting stale.

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[–] **RumAndGames** **-17 points** 10 hours ago

> but the anti-Trump stuff is getting stale.

I feel like that's a really bad attitude, because it values novelty over reality. Yeah I get that reading about hating Trump might be getting boring, but our politics don't exist to entertain. If the president really is a repulsive piece of shit, should we stop hating him after a couple of years because its...repetitive? Yeah I admit that policy discussion on Reddit is hot garbage (I mean, does anyone really expect it to be otherwise) but there's something really creepy at all the people who push back against hating Trump because they're "bored" of it, as if people being horrified by the man exists to entertain.

But yeah, people who don't really pay attention to the economy will always process economic data through their political filter and try to reconcile it to their preconceived beliefs. But my point is with the original criticism that the list attempts to portray itself as some well formatted, fact based analysis, when in reality it's just subjective cheerleading. You can't just assume that anything that happens during a presidency is a result of that presidency. You want to make a case that the tax cuts drove up median household incomes? I'm all ears. But sometimes the economy grows *because* of a president's policies, sometimes it grows *in spite* of them, sometimes it appears completely agnostic to them. You can't just cherrypick data and assume that the world exits to serve your narrative. Ask ANY respectable economist and they will tell you that had Trump done literally nothing for the past two years, the economy would have

grown. 90% of the time that's just what economies *do.* The actual argument to be had is whether, in the long run, the economy will grow more or less than it would have otherwise based on his specific policies and leadership.

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[–] **Fatkungfuu 6 points** 4 hours ago

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https://youtu.be/_I67ZKZs1pM?t=1320

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[–] **NPChalmers 9 points** 6 hours ago

Ah yes, I'm sure wages would have increased the same with globalist policies of open borders, shipping jobs overseas, higher taxes, and more illegal wars /s

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[–] **laevian -51 points** 11 hours ago

How many of these can be directly attributed to something Trump or his administration have done, though? It is true that these things are *happening,* but correlation and causation are very different beasts.

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[–] **politicusmaximus 210 points** 10 hours ago

Honestly. Virtually all of it.

If you look at the trend lines for a lot of these statistics you can see a sharp deviation when he was elected. Obama was saying manufacturing jobs are not coming back and their is no magic wand... 2 years later we have added 500,000. The deregulation of some of these industries has been one of the most under reported things in the last 2 years. It's been astounding.

You also have to imagine that all of this happening while the fed is cleaning up it's balance sheets from Barack Obama's 8 full years of 0% fed rates. Achieving 3% growth with a fed pushing up rates is absolutely mind blowing to everyone who knows what is going on. Realistically, we could have seen solid 4% 2018 GDP growth without the fed raising rates. I'm not saying it's a bad thing they are doing it, but it just shows you how strong the US economy is at the moment.

Look at the real wage increases. The middle class is actually booming. I hear crickets from the media on it. For years this has been the rallying cry of the socialist wing of the democratic party railing against "unfettered" capitalism. Turns out it was extremely fettered capitalism producing stagnate wages.

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[–] **CuckedByTRUMP 29 points** 9 hours ago

> solid 4% 2018 GDP growth without the fed raising rates.

Nah, would have been like 6 tbh.

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[–] **laevian 15 points** 9 hours ago

Do you have any reading you could share?

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[–] **politicusmaximus 55 points** 9 hours ago

The fact is the media landscape is just fucked so badly you can't just read a few op-eds and get the full picture. You should try to read a dose of right leaning perspectives as well as some reasonable left wing perspectives. WSJ and CNBC would be a good start. The Economists is pure garbage journalism, stay away them them.

The best way to get a handle on the economy is look at the numbers yourself.

https://www.bls.gov/data/

What I like to do is pick a database and compare the last two years of Obama's presidency with the first 2 years of Trumps. You can really see a difference in the non farm jobs numbers and manufacturing. Also look under the employment section and Employment hours and earnings.

Here is the Kevin Hasset on claims that this is a result of Obama. He works for Trump, so this is not unbiased, but he does make a good case for the admin.

https://www.c-span.org/video/?c4748645/economic-adviser-report

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[–] CuckedByTRUMP 32 points 9 hours ago

I suggest you start with a google search for "wikileaks pool email." If I link it here, reddit will vanish the comment.

Read that whole email and then ask yourself why the media never touched that topic. Then when you have decided not to trust the media anymore, give a read to this list: https://archive.is/5aluS

Then after that, reevaluate your stances on everything Trump related.

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[–] EpicGuard 2 points an hour ago

You can literally just watch the White House press conferences from time to time. Check out this one from September that shows a lot of the economic information with actual trend lines to show the reversals in trends...going back several years and then dramatically reversing.

I remember this one specifically because it was the first time I ever watched one before and noticed that on the live stream I was watching on CNN they zoomed in on the speaker's face for almost all of it and didn't show the slides he was presenting. I noticed because I like math and the guy was making some math jokes about a strong second derivative or something and I couldn't see the picture so I got curious.

I checked the live streams on YouTube for a couple other news channels and didn't find one showing the slides until I went to the actual White House YouTube channel and one whose name made it clear they were some Right Wing media company. All of the ones NBC have up now on YouTube show the slides a lot more than they did during the stream, but they still don't show them entirely like they do on the White House channel. CBS also changed out the video on YouTube so it's not the same one they did Live Stream and it now shows the slides focused for a bit in whole, NBC didn't even do that.

This is the kind of shit u/politicusmaximus is talking about.

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[–] zorrohorror 7 points 9 hours ago

The deregulation thing is a little more complicated than on its surface. I would argue that investments weren't being made in the last part of Obama's term, because he was making a lot of new regulations and large corporations believed that they could wait until a new administration came in to reverse them. They weren't cost-prohibitive, but it would be more profitable to wait a couple years (when they had quite a lot of cash on hand), to make those business investments when they knew they would have an easier time from a deregulatory agenda.

Regulations generally aren't job killers, but they do reduce profits. Most of the time they increase jobs (due to extra requirements for business processes and regulatory compliance documentation), which comes out of the bottom line of a company. Regulations shouldn't kill or severely reduce an industry unless it is truly killing people or property (such as tobacco or asbestos).

When most business people rally against regulations, the ones that are the real pains are local and state regulations, not federal ones. Federal regulations tend to have wide exemptions for small to medium companies and have quite a few workarounds. State and local ones feel like red tape, because they're often redundant and badly drafted.

Anyway, deregulation did boost economic output, but I feel that business leaders know they have so much influence on policy makers, they don't make investments in the short term, even when it would make them more competitive, because they would rather wait to get someone in to deregulate for them rather than comply.

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[–] dumnem 11 points 7 hours ago

> Regulations generally aren't job killers, but they do reduce profits.

Those are often one in the same.

The jobs produced are much smaller in comparison to jobs cost, especially because it's often that a government position is created instead.

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[–] zorrohorror 3 points 7 hours ago

Your conclusion is very broad.

Let's take a specific regulation that increases jobs but decreases profits: the produce safety rule in the Food Safety Modernization Act. Water testing and other food safety requirements on the farm require more QC/QA staff, laboratory staffing, external auditors, etc. All of these staffing and costs do reduce the bottom line, but the Romaine E Coli outbreaks show that we need this staffing to make the product safer.

Honestly, the government workers added are not nearly what are those created in the private sector. For this regulation it's probably something like 1:10-20 government jobs to private jobs needed. For this rule, they simply weren't testing before whether there was animal shit in the irrigation water on a product that is consumed raw. There needed to be a fair rule put into place to make sure that people did their due diligence aren't being unfairly undercut by people ignoring modern food safety practices. That's what regulations are for.

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[–] mustachedchaos 4 points 6 hours ago

So is yours, and a bit disingenuous. The people in favor of deregulation aren't arguing we should stop inspecting food or other dangerous practices. They're interested in *redundant* and wasteful spending. Arguing for the existence of "busy work" jobs and unnecessary middle-man positions is not a benefit to anyone.

Here are some good examples of the kinds of cuts that make more sense: https://www.cagw.org/reporting/2018-prime-cuts

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[–] zorrohorror 2 points 6 hours ago

You are telling me that it kills jobs with very few specifics. You don't even argue that the regulatory compliance labor needed because of regulations interferes with keeping or adding operations staff. And labor cost increases are by far the

largest reduction of profit for companies due to regulations. But isn't that the opposite of job killing if they're having to add labor??

Most of the cited areas of waste are subsidies and government programs, not regulations. Peanut subsidies or rural utilities are not regulations.

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[–] mustachedchaos 2 points 6 hours ago

Those subsidies and government programs are often hand-in-hand with regulations. Many of them exist just to enforce regulations.

Increased overhead from regulations does interfere with keeping or adding staff because it makes each employee more expensive to maintain. Say you have an employee that you pay $50k a year. If that employee's value to me is only $60k, when it should be $70k because of increased overhead, It's screwing both me and that employee. They are more expensive to employ, making it harder for me to give them a raise or hire more help.

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[–] zorrohorror 1 point 6 hours ago

Yes, subsidies, government programs, and regulations often go hand-in-hand, because these are in the realm of legislation in Congress and administrative in the Executive branch. However, CAGW is arguing that the wasteful aspects of market governance are subsidizing markets rather than enforcing rules. It's really not what we're debating here.

Why are regulations more expensive on a per-employee basis? Is that universal? I could understand if you were talking about, say health insurance requirements or worker safety, but for regulations for the environment or product safety, it doesn't really work that way.

And you're saying that cumulatively regulations add 10k more a year per employee? Based on what?

You say it's more impactful for small to medium business owners, but most all federal regulations give special considerations and waivers for companies these sizes.

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[–] mustachedchaos 2 points 5 hours ago

> Why are regulations on a per-employee basis? Is that universal?

In a way yes, because increased costs affect the value of every employee because it increases the cost of the business to run. The numbers I chose were just whole numbers for easy math to simplify the explanation, of course there is more nuance to how it fluctuates and how those costs affect each person's value.

I linked CAGW because my point was more along the lines of businesses having to absorb the cost of keeping agencies like those running through taxes when many of them are unnecessary. It's true that much of the link is about subsidies, which is a slightly different topic because those put artificial stresses on prices and competition which affect the numbers in other ways but there are agencies there that exist solely to maintain regulatory oversight.

Unnecessary rules and regulations apply stress on the bottom line which comes down all across a business. There are other articles on that site that break down other wasteful spending in more depth, the ones about individual states are very interesting as well.

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[–] zorrohorror 2 points 4 hours ago

Hm.. good points. I have always preferred to keep regulatory cost stresses on a per-product basis, but that probably comes from my biases working in food production. Companies are basically arguing they are at maximum labor capacity at all times for their profit margin, so any increased processes "kills jobs". It does feel somewhat circular, since they're saying they should never be dictated new ways of operating regardless the reason.

I'm mostly in favor of removing out-dated subsidies, especially in ag, because they usually have a basis in an early 20th century need. There is a bunch of goofy stuff with dairy products for instance, because they used to be contaminated often and it was a supremely important protein source for children in that era. The flipside is that the solutions to having fewer distortions in the market rear some ugly issues: agriculture and food production are so cheap and automated that it will soon be unprofitable except for mega-mega-corporations, agricultural policy in the US is fairly socialist due to the era in which the reforms were initially enacted, changing market distortions may have harsh consequences for consumers that rely heavily on cheap and safe food, food policies are often protectionist (and too wonky for people to really care about), food delves into globalism (some countries are inherently more suited for certain products versus the US), and we have overrepresentation of rural voters in the House and Senate (they have little interest in changing policies that hurt one of their core voting blocs).

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[–] politicusmaximus 3 points 6 hours ago

> Regulations generally aren't job killers, but they do reduce profits

Gonna hard disagree on that one.

The honest truth is there are bad regulations and good regulations. Right now we have a metric fuck load of bad regulations and not enough good ones.

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[–] **zorrohorror 1 point** 6 hours ago

Regulations should be viewed as a type of corporate justice, to ensure that all companies are on an even playing field, and unscrupulous companies aren't undercutting the general public. Regulatory needs change due to advances in innovation, science and technology. However, bad regulations are kept on the books when lawmakers refuse to legislate or authorize new ones when they're needed out of principle.

The solution is not to deregulate and undo previously sound regulations. It would be to reform them and sunset the bad ones when the new ones come into effect. I'm tired of deregulatory folks just cutting and defunding needed agencies with the argument that they need to be improved.

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[–] **TheFrontierzman 1 point** 2 hours ago

>he [Obama] was making a lot of new regulations and large corporations believed that they could wait until a new administration came in to reverse them.

I know they didn't predict President Trump winning two years in advance so what administration were they assuming would come in to reverse them?

Were they just gambling on a Republican winning? That must have seemed unlikely to them with the Obama-lovefest and media coronating Hillary the next president well in advance.

This part isn't adding up for me. Maybe they thought Congress would eliminate some of the regulation.

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[–] **ChetBenning -5 points** 9 hours ago

I saw two news stories in a 30-minute period this morning on the wage and employment numbers that specifically discussed the growth rate, so please don't imply there is some sort of blackout on reporting good news.

Real average earnings increased by 1.1% from December 2017 to December 2018. People that rail against the system because of wage growth are looking at it over a period of decades, not from the most recent numbers that show a bump.

BLS release on real earnings growth in 2018:

https://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/realer.pdf

Forbes on how real wages have been nearly stagnant, and was decreasing before this bump.

https://www.forbes.com/sites/patrickwwatson/2018/09/25/real-wage-growth-is-actually-falling/#45f19b7d7284

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[–] **politicusmaximus 7 points** 6 hours ago

You saw those segments because they released the January jobs numbers today, and they have no choice but to cover them. I'm talking about narrative journalism. There is no broad media narrative about the strength of the economy.

On the wages, it was only decreasing if you purposely ignore non cash wages.

The reality is the cost of employment has sky rocketed in the past 30 years largely due to nonsensical healthcare regulation, general business regulation related to employment and the raising of employer portion of payroll taxes. If you include those costs wages are up a staggering 40% over then past 30 years.

There is still good reason to credit the admins economic strategy for the movement we have seen. Especially in those median income numbers.

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[–] **fong_hofmeister 51 points** 10 hours ago

It’s pretty clear when you consider how many experts predicted that there would be economic catastrophe upon Trump’s election.

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[–] **crimsonpowder 27 points** 8 hours ago

This is a good point. If the experts are consistently wrong, they're not worth listening to.

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[–] **stormy_does_anal 26 points** 10 hours ago

> How many of these can be directly attributed to something Trump or his administration have done, though?

Pretty much the entire list. I get you don't want to give him or his administration the credit but that would be dishonest.

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[–] **WheresTheSauce 15 points** 10 hours ago

I'm certainly willing to give credit where it's due, I just want more information on what's being presented so that I can have an informed opinion. It's just as ignorant to assume that he and his administration are responsible for all of it as it is to assume that they had nothing to do with it.

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[–] NateDawg655 2 points 8 hours ago

I think presidents in general Republican or Democrat get way to much credit for economic gains. Its such a complex beast that has so many long term trends and factors. Cetainly theres things that can boost short term numbers and the perception of being a business friendly helps.

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[–] TooMuchPants 1 point 4 hours ago

I don't think the President should get credit for the economy either way. I mean, if we have a recession next year, are you going to blame Trump for it going into the 2020 election?

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[–] stormy_does_anal 4 points 4 hours ago

As long as it wasn't a result of the Fed intentionally cranking on the interest rates at the wrong time, yes. I would blame Trump because at this point it's his.

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[–] crimsonpowder 4 points 8 hours ago

When you correlate enough independent random variables, the chance for non-causation asymptotically decreases to 0.

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[–] RumAndGames -4 points 7 hours ago

The comments surrounding these posts have literally been reposted to T_D as "NPCs are LOSING THEIR MINDS!" This is a shitty brigade, don't believe any responses you get.

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[–] laevian 0 points 4 hours ago

I'm impressed someone managed to twist my intent so wildly as to represent me as "losing my mind", haha.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes -52 points 11 hours ago

> Median household income rose to $61,372 in 2017, a post-recession high.

We can literally thank Obama for that since Trump's first budget didn't go into effect until 2018.

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[–] chocki305 114 points 10 hours ago

So Obama shouldn't get credit for ending the recession, because it happened in his first year before his budget took effect.

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[–] CuckedByTRUMP 54 points 9 hours ago

Don't use logic, it doesn't work on Obama dick riders. They don't want to give Trump credit for jobs and act like the high income has nothing to do with him. Ridiculous.

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[–] chocki305 24 points 9 hours ago

Just another example of liberal hypocrisy and applying rules unfairly purely out of spite.

I expect nothing less from them at this point. I am actually surprised I have been called racist or a Russian troll yet.

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[–] Br0nichiwa -6 points 3 hours ago

Ah yes, the Trump Supporter Circle Jerk.

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[–] chocki305 3 points 3 hours ago

It isn't that I support him. He isn't a good president. Neither was Obama, but I'm not about to change my stance on something just because it would make a guy I don't like look worse. Or ignore something I am against because I like someone.

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[–] Br0nichiwa 3 points 2 hours ago

I feel like people grossly over estimate how much power presidents have, when it comes to the economy. Maybe due to business regulations, otherwise... they literally have no hand in it. Dem or Rep, I think it's redonk when they claim economic positives were due to their adminstration.

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[–] chocki305 2 points an hour ago

They have an indirect effect by their ideological direction and actions. If businesses feel he is pro-business they are more willing to take risks with money. For example, Coal businesses where not willing to risk investing in expansion under Obama. (I'm not making a comment on Coal itself, just look at it business wise.) When they could possibly be facing government restrictions or costs.

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[–] Br0nichiwa 1 point an hour ago

I disagree, but I'm not going to get into an e-debate about it. Do you, no hard feelings.

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[–] chocki305 1 point an hour ago

Right on. America is all about not agreeing and being cool.

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[–] Siegelski 1 point an hour ago

No he really shouldn't get credit for it. That was Bush's doing. Like people said, the economy doesn't change immediately, it takes a few years to see the effects of policy changes.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 52 points 10 hours ago

> We can literally thank Obama for that

No, the economic rise is attributed to much more than just his budget. You're not even taking into consideration regulation cuts, public benefit usage reduction, job creation, trade policies and a multitude of other factors outside of the budget.

If this was the result of Obama's policies and budgeting you would have seen a direct correlation before Trump took office in business spending, hiring, investments, growth investments etc..... and none of that was there.

Basically if Trump would have taken office and continued exactly the same as Obama with 0 changes we would be sitting closer to 1% growth.

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[–] Matt1388 30 points 11 hours ago

You are correct!!! Even now it is true. Anything good was Obama and everything bad is Trump.

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[–] TysonButterbean 29 points 10 hours ago

This rule changes if Michelle is elected after Trump - the Constitution says so.

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[–] vVvMaze 8 points 9 hours ago

It had a lot to do with the market which most things in a capitalist society do. The market took a sharp upward turn when Trump was elected which has a butterfly effect including increasing wages for workers.

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[–] MAGA_WALL_E 1 point 9 hours ago

Yeah, sure, buddy.

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[–] TysonButterbean 1237 points 15 hours ago

Border Security and Immigration

- Secured $1.6 billion for border wall construction in the March 2018 omnibus bill.
- Construction of a 14-mile section of border wall began near San Diego.
- Worked to protect American communities from the threat posed by the vile MS-13 gang.
  - ICE's Homeland Security Investigations division arrested 796 MS-13 members and associates in FY 2017, an 83 percent increase from the prior year.
  - Justice worked with partners in Central America to secure criminal charges against more than 4,000 MS-13 members.
  - Border Patrol agents arrested 228 illegal aliens affiliated with MS-13 in FY 2017.
- Fighting to stop the scourge of illegal drugs at our border.
  - ICE HSI seized more than 980,000 pounds of narcotics in FY 2017, including 2,370 pounds of fentanyl and 6,967 pounds of heroin.
  - ICE HSI dedicated nearly 630,000 investigative hours towards halting the illegal import of fentanyl.
  - ICE HSI made 11,691 narcotics-related arrests in FY 2017.
  - Stop Opioid Abuse and Reduce Drug Supply and Demand introduced new measures to keep dangerous drugs out the United States.
  - Signed the INTERDICT Act into law, enhancing efforts to detect and intercept synthetic opioids.
  - DOJ secured its first-ever indictments against Chinese fentanyl manufacturers.
  - DOJ launched their Joint Criminal Opioid Darknet Enforcement (J-CODE) team, aimed at disrupting online illicit opioid sales.
- Released an immigration framework that includes the resources required to secure our borders and close legal loopholes, and repeatedly called on Congress to fix our broken immigration laws.
- Authorized the deployment of the National Guard to help secure the border.
- Enhanced vetting of individuals entering the U.S. from countries that don't meet security standards, helping to ensure individuals who pose a threat to our country are identified before they enter.
  - These procedures were upheld in a June 2018 Supreme Court hearing.
- ICE removed over 226,000 illegal aliens from the United States in 2017.

    - ICE rescued or identified over 500 human trafficking victims and over 900 child exploitation victims in 2017 alone.
- In 2017, ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) arrested more than 127,000 aliens with criminal convictions or charges, responsible for
    - Over 76,000 with dangerous drug offenses.
    - More than 48,000 with assault offenses.
    - More than 11,000 with weapons offenses.
    - More than 5,000 with sexual assault offenses.
    - More than 2,000 with kidnapping offenses.
    - Over 1,800 with homicide offenses.
- Created the Victims of Immigration Crime Engagement (VOICE) Office in order to support the victims and families affected by illegal alien crime.
- More than doubled the number of counties participating in the 287(g) program, which allows jails to detain criminal aliens until they are transferred to ICE custody.

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[–] **2018throwaway_accoun** **73 points** 5 hours ago

While I dislike Trump, I love the fact that he's trying to do something about the immigration system. I wish he would fine corporations for hiring illegal immigrants, and massively expand E-Verify.

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[–] **trineroks** **8 points** 3 hours ago

Is there any real benefit to a construction of a physical wall though? I can totally understand the concerns for tightening border security but what is the purpose of spending this money to build an actual wall?

The US-Mexico border is already one of the tightest and most regulated borders in the world. It's not like most people are jumping over the physical fences en masse - isn't the main issue that they abuse their BCC Visas and overstay?

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[–] **PopTheRedPill** **9 points** 3 hours ago

When Schumer, Obama, Hillary and the Dems voted for the Secure Fence Act of 2006 that built our massive existing wall it worked. Why would it be different now?

It’s part of a system not meant to work by itself.

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[–] **trineroks** **-3 points** 3 hours ago

Sure, it still doesn't touch on the fact that most illegal immigrants initially entered the US legally and then broke the law by overstaying on their visas. The fence literally made potential illegal immigrants to find different routes. A concrete wall is not going to change much.

Building the wall has always felt like some kneejerk appease the masses "solution" that doesn't actually target the current issue of visa-abuse illegal immigration.

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[–] **Frankyg170** **10 points** 3 hours ago

> Sure, it still doesn't touch on the fact that most illegal immigrants initially enter the US legally and then break the law by overstaying on their visas.

2/3 of them enter this way, another 1/3 enter at the borders.

> The fence literally made potential illegal immigrants find different routes. A concrete wall is not going to change much.

The "fence" doesn't cover the entire border... not even close. Even if it did it is easily compromised.

Drones + special officers was the main idea touted by the Democrats when the fence bill was passed, but drones are incredibly expensive while being nearly useless. 1

> Building the wall has always felt like some kneejerk appease-the-masses "solution" that doesn't actually target the current issue of visa-abuse illegal immigration.

The purpose behind the wall is to also help curb drug flux into the country. By eliminating vast swathes of open border for ease of access you can now focus your agents on the ports of entry, which is where most of the drugs come through.

As it is now there are many communities in America that live on the border portions without wall and their local police forces are not capable of keeping them safe. That is yet another issue at hand. [2]

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[–] **genstuffy** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Wrong. Other way around. 1/3 overstay their visas. 2/3 cross illegally.

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[–] **nano_nick** **1 point** an hour ago

The majority enter through the border not overstay, the numbers are somewhat close though. The real question is why not both? The wall is a TINY fraction of our total budget for the year.

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[–] **2018throwaway_accoun** **2 points** 3 hours ago

I'm not for the Border Wall, President Trump has proposed. I think that by Expanding E-Verify, Going after Corporations and companies that hire illegal immigrants will decrease illegal immigration. BCC Visas and overstays are a problem. Our Immigration system is broken and old and need major reforming. Also the fact that some politicians families who owns business hires illegal immigrants is also a problem. (https://www.motherjones.com/politics/2018/10/devin-nunes-family-farm-california/)

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[–] kahow1107 2 points an hour ago

If you support all of what you just mentioned, why do you dislike Trump? I support Trump and I agree with you 100% on everything you just said.

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[–] 2018throwaway_accoun 1 point 59 minutes ago

I'm not a fan of all of policies, I do like how he is dealing with China.

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[–] kahow1107 1 point 55 minutes ago

Yeah, I mean you don't have to support all of his policies. Even I don't. There was one thing last year I didn't like, he kinda supported the "violent video games cause violence" talking point, which is bs. Seemed like a way to deflect from real issues of mental illness and gun control after the Parkland shooting.

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[–] 2018throwaway_accoun 1 point 50 minutes ago

Yeah, if Democrats choose a terrible candidate for their nominee then I will vote for Trump in 2020.

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[–] kahow1107 1 point 42 minutes ago

Lol imagine if it's Trump vs Warren in 2020.

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[–] 2gdismore 1 point 2 hours ago

If he fined corporations for hiring illegal immigrants he'd also have to fine himself.

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[–] 2018throwaway_accoun -1 points 2 hours ago

That's the problem with having Trump as president he won't do anything effectively to stop illegal immigration since he benefits from it.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 14 hours ago

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[–] Advisery 0 points 3 hours ago

>ICE HSI seized more than 980,000 pounds of narcotics in FY 2017, including 2,370 pounds of fentanyl and 6,967 pounds of heroin.

I notice a clear lack of amounts for other things, 980,000 pounds is not impressive to me when a large portion of it(cannabis) I don't approve of being illegal.

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[–] nano_nick 1 point an hour ago

Even if it was 100% weed it still needs to be stopped. Once we make it legal and allow regulated farms to grow it, that will be awesome. Rember however, allowing it in our country via the border does nothing but feed the ruthless, murdering, raping and human trafficking drug cartels of Mexico.

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[–] FieldMarshalFry -6 points 11 hours ago

fuck your racist piece of shit wall, and fuck every racist, retarded piece of shit who supports it, I guess you don't care about the environmental damage the wall would do...

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[–] TysonButterbean 40 points 11 hours ago

Lol keep it together, man.

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[–] FieldMarshalFry -62 points 11 hours ago

Of fuck off you fascist apologist, why do you think the rest of the planet hates your small handed Russian stooge?

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[–] Arrow26 40 points 8 hours ago

M'fascism!

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[–] HeyZeusChrist 19 points 5 hours ago

This is some serious TDS.
Notice the elevated anger. The foaming at the mouth. The inability to speak without claiming fascism?

Sadly the only cure is a rational thinking mind.

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[–] prxpost 8 points 4 hours ago
Orange man bad.
Did you have something to say? Those memes are old, man.
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[–] booboohoob (deleted by user) -25 points 13 hours ago
Hey where's all those kids DHA lost? And why were they shredding documents about sexual abuse??
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[–] GumbyGamer 32 points 13 hours ago
It's pretty well accepted most of them went to live with illegal immigrant relatives who didn't want to stick around for follow ups. They didn't lose anyone, unless you count the kids intentionally hiding
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[–] OneMoreLift 36 points 13 hours ago
Lol even CNN confirmed this and other news agencies confirmed the same thing happened with pretty much every president. The only difference is the media decided to call them "lost" now.
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[–] nino1755 -55 points 7 hours ago
Russian bot. Is obvious bot.
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[–] Fatkungfuu 15 points 4 hours ago
Now that's one well programmed sheep
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[–] nino1755 -6 points 3 hours ago
You're telling me.
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[–] Rifruff 9 points 4 hours ago
you are unpatriotic piece of shit
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[–] prxpost 6 points 4 hours ago
I guess feeding the bots is bad manners, but yes you are painfully obvious.
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[–] DirtyPedro 7 points 4 hours ago
What's "obvious"? Do you actually pretend like Trump isn't popular among many Americans? Do you think because russians spent like $2,000 on facebook ads- in an election with billions spent - they are responsible for all pro-Trump comments - and aren't nothing more than a grain of sand on a beach? Please get real, what's "obvious" is you are living in an echo-chamber. By many people's standards, Trump is both the most successful, and most entertaining President- of all time. You don't have to agree, but you can acknowledge our existence and stop trying to marginalize the opinions of others with the idiotic "bot" charade.
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[–] GlobalAcanthisitta -87 points 13 hours ago
lol, what a sad effort.
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[–] GumbyGamer 63 points 13 hours ago
Not OP, but if he's wrong, at least say where
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[–] GlobalAcanthisitta -71 points 13 hours ago
Ever hear of the Gish Gallop? It's a common tactic in debate. Throw a bunch of nonsense out there and hope to overwhelm your listeners with excessive information.
Most of these points aren't intrinsically "good" things and the ones that most people would agree on as good things are just fluff numbers if you pull the thread, or PR moves to save face after damage had been done.
Taken point by point, I think the only good the man has done has been to serve notice to the younger generations exactly how important it is to get involved with poltics, understand what is going on, and make their own decisions rather than being told what is good or bad.
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[–] TJ_Deckerson 74 points 10 hours ago
Gish gallops require a finite period of time to respond. You can literally line by line refute him. You don't even have to do the whole thing, just enough to prove a dishonest trend. You're not going to do that because you're a lazy slacktivist and he's not wrong.
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[–] GlobalAcanthisitta -54 points 9 hours ago
So do comments. Sorry, you don't get to mull that over for 5 hours and respond with something as weak as that.

Lazy is not checking data and making sure your posited facts are accurate or at least tried to be accurate.

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[–] Roodyrooster 35 points 8 hours ago

Nevermind the delusional idea that someone is sitting here mulling over a response to you for a length of time that starts the moment you posted, but how could you possibly think your follow up here helped your case in the slightest? You tried to diminish everything the original poster said as a debate fallacy and were subsequently taught a lesson on what the fallacy is. Your next move should have been to maybe provide some substance and dispute the original poster but instead you just respond with more nothingness. You obviously think you're intelligent, so use your own words "Lazy is not checking data and making sure your posited facts are accurate or at least tried to be accurate."

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[–] ComicalHelenBramble 16 points 7 hours ago

More like GlobalButthurt!

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[–] gbenner88 12 points 6 hours ago

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[–] GlobalAcanthisitta -7 points 7 hours ago

Lol, not one of his sources is cited. Talk about delusional like I am going to fact check pages of claims. Nah, I'll just laugh like I originally did before I was asked to point out what was wrong. I did so, and got a bunch of insane babble back at me.

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[–] Roodyrooster 20 points 6 hours ago

You had plenty of room to talk the problem is you've taken all that room and not used it to provide anything of substance besides your failed attempt at pointing out a debate fallacy.

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[–] Dooky710 9 points 5 hours ago

Your argument seemed to be OP had no sources provided for his comment yet after reading some of this thread, you have also not provided sources for your comment. Isn't that the pot calling the kettle black?

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[–] PogbaToure 7 points 5 hours ago

As someone who has no dog in this fight, I'd enjoy reading a well thought out post of yours in response to OP's. That way I can read both and make my own informed decision.

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[–] nano_nick 3 points an hour ago

Spoiler alert: He can't and won't...

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[–] Glorious_Jo 44 points 13 hours ago

All you've done is insult someone and accuse the OP of throwing out nonsense, while deflecting a request to back up your stance.

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[–] osan003 30 points 12 hours ago

That's typical anti-Trump "debate" tactics.

I don't like the man and hate what he's done with the EPA and think a focus on developing clean energy would be a boost to the coming as well as national security.

That said, he's done a good amount of beneficial work for us.

I greatly disliked Obama but loved his EPA policies.

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[–] GlobalAcanthisitta -9 points 9 hours ago

I clearly stated that most of the things he was saying were good were debatable and not at all intrinsically "good". You are a buffoon.

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[–] TargusNazg 25 points 8 hours ago

And yet when asked you refused to back it up.

I personally don't like Trump. But I acknowledge that he's done some good. If you want to call the OP out and say he's spouting nonsense or false positives, say where. Don't look like an idiot by saying no. You shouldn't really have commented in the first place if you weren't going to.

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[–] termiAurthur -16 points 7 hours ago

I don't see the OP's sources anywhere. If you're gonna demand one side source their bullshit, you gotta source your own.

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[–] TargusNazg 15 points 6 hours ago

That's correct. But if you're disagreeing with someone, regardless of whether sources were originally given, and you aren't asking for them but just issuing a blanket statement calling it nonsense, the burden of proof is on you to show that it is in fact nonsense.

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[–] termiAurthur -10 points 6 hours ago

Not really. If someone asserts items, and doesn't back them up, it is on them to sound e them if they are called bullshit on. Just because you got there first doesn't mean you don't need to prove anything.

And just calling statements nonsense is not a good faith tactic, but it does not shift the burden of proof. It is still on the one that originally made the claims to back them up, not the one calling bullshit.

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[–] Lenny_Kravitz2 3 points 4 hours ago

You are proving Targus' point on the bad faith argument tactic. GlobalAcanthisitta did just that and was called out on it.

Also, the information has been widely reported in the US media. It isn't hard at all to look it up.

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[–] termiAurthur 1 point 4 hours ago

That's only half of it. Global also questioned whether everything listed there is 'good', which is not a bad question, really.

Yes, the way he went about it is in bad faith, and should have been done in a different way, but you shouldn't sweep his questions and points under the rug just because of that.

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[–] Glorious_Jo 3 points 4 hours ago

You said *most of the things* but did not specify. You can't just say "everything he's saying is baaaad!!" without backing that claim up. All you're doing is insulting people and adding nothing to the conversation.

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[–] SquidCap -159 points 13 hours ago

Again, this is not a list of "good things" and this is not even a list of actual, factual things that actually happened. Most of these are things that continue quite directly from previous administrations: you can not include stuff like drugs entering since it shows NO signs of slowing down! You just list EVERYTHING that happened, whether it is Trump or not.

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[–] crimsonpowder 166 points 8 hours ago

I think it's intellectually dishonest to say that the president was uninvolved in the things he posted. I read through the bullet points and it makes tons of sense to me.

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[–] BooYeah0484 122 points 9 hours ago

Whether it's good things or not is your opinion. I think you're just mad that people are actually able to find things that he's done that are good though. Your liberal brain can't handle it.

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[–] SquidCap -94 points 9 hours ago

I can handle facts just fine. There are thing he has managed to do well. But that list? Is not it.... You have to be truthful. OP could've easily boiled down his list for 10 thing NO ONE can refute, instead he posted 100 things where 90 are debatable or straight up false. If you have a point, make it, there is no need to exaggerate or embellish if you are on the side of truth.

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[–] sjphilsphan 42 points 7 hours ago

Well you could try refuting with other sources..instead of just complaining...

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[–] DoubleDragonEnergy 48 points 6 hours ago

But, but... orange man bad!

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[–] SpacemanTy 21 points 5 hours ago

u/SquidCap BTFO

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[–] finalaccountdown 38 points 9 hours ago

> There are thing he has managed to do well.

you know what? i'll fucking take it, at this point.

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[–] BooYeah0484 18 points 8 hours ago

None of those facts are false. They are facts. If you want a source find it yourself lazy git.

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[–] nano_nick 2 points an hour ago

I reject your facts! President Bush has done nothing of merit! (Said in a drunken slur) Guess who I am...

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[–] trump_tru 10 points 5 hours ago

90% debatable or false? Name one.

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[–] nano_nick 2 points an hour ago

Well, citing my fee-fees it is clear that orange man bad because the nice man on the TV told me so! Duuh!

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[–] Fatkungfuu 4 points 4 hours ago

I would love to see your list of good things Trump has done. Please list them

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[–] lesser_panjandrum 58 points 13 hours ago

- February followed on from January, as promised
- Sun rose this morning after period of darkness caused by Democrats and women's rights
- Four million criminals personally beaten up by Donald Trump, who is Batman

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 4 points 11 hours ago

While 9/12 happened, it was NOT another 9/11.

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[–] GetBTFO 41 points 9 hours ago

"Trump and his Administration did all of these great things? NOT FACTUAL! Ha go back to Faux News, racists!"

Lmaoooo.

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[–] ATbaseball13 -17 points 5 hours ago

I bet you think the earth is flat. Retard

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[–] Devildog6795 12 points 5 hours ago

Because that's a well thought out response

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[–] Dooky710 7 points 5 hours ago

You mean ad hominem arguments don't work?

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[–] 7328360337 27 points 7 hours ago

You understand that everything trump does is done by trump, right? You can't claim that every single thing that happened under trumps administration is actually because of Obama.

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[–] cdyngrm 10 points 6 hours ago

tHaT wAs AcTuALlY OBamA!!!!!!

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[–] OddPatience7 6 points 4 hours ago

Looks like Correct the Record/Shareblue forgot to point their downvote bots to this sub today. You guys are getting blown the fuck out.

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[–] Apostatesteve 6 points 9 hours ago

It would if we build a god damn wall

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[–] howlingmadpanda 1 point 12 hours ago

The twat's a regular r/The_Donald user. What do you expect? No idea how he's getting upvotes

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[–] Shirlenator -1 points 6 hours ago

I was weary when he didn't include a single source in his entire post.

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[–] notathroway0203 -3 points 6 hours ago

You're an idiot lol.

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[–] TysonButterbean 1168 points 15 hours ago

Trade

- Negotiating and renegotiating better trade deals, achieving free, fair, and reciprocal trade for the United States.
  - Agreed to work with the European Union towards zero tariffs, zero non-tariff barriers, and zero subsides.
  - Deal with the European Union to increase U.S. energy exports to Europe.
  - Litigated multiple WTO disputes targeting unfair trade practices and upholding our right to enact fair trade laws.
  - Finalized a revised trade agreement with South Korea, which includes provisions to increase American automobile exports.
  - Negotiated an historic U.S.-Mexico-Canada Trade Agreement to replace NAFTA.
  - Agreement to begin trade negotiations for a U.S.-Japan trade agreement.
  - Secured $250 billion in new trade and investment deals in China and $12 billion in Vietnam.
  - Established a Trade and Investment Working Group with the United Kingdom, laying the groundwork for post-Brexit trade.
- Enacted steel and aluminum tariffs to protect our vital steel and aluminum producers and strengthen our national security.
- Conducted 82 anti-dumping and countervailing duty investigations in 2017 alone.
- Confronting China's unfair trade practices after years of Washington looking the other way.
  - 25 percent tariff on $50 billion of goods imported from China and later imposed an additional 10% tariff on $200 billion of Chinese goods.
  - Conducted an investigation into Chinese forced technology transfers, unfair licensing practices, and intellectual property theft.
  - Imposed safeguard tariffs to protect domestic washing machines and solar products manufacturers hurt by China's trade policies
- Withdrew from the job-killing Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP).
- Secured access to new markets for America's farmers.
  - Recent deal with Mexico included new improvements enabling food and agriculture to trade more fairly.
  - Recent agreement with the E.U. will reduce barriers and increase trade of American soybeans to Europe.
  - Won a WTO dispute regarding Indonesia's unfair restriction of U.S. agricultural exports.
  - Defended American Tuna fisherman and packagers before the WTO
  - Opened up Argentina to American pork experts for the first time in a quarter-century
  - American beef exports have returned to china for the first time in more than a decade
- OK'd up to $12 billion in aid for farmers affected by unfair trade retaliation.

Energy

- Presidential Memorandum to clear roadblocks to construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline.
- Presidential Memorandum declaring that the Dakota Access Pipeline serves the national interest and initiating the process to complete construction.
- Opened up the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge to energy exploration.
- Coal exports up over 60 percent in 2017.
- Rolled back the "stream protection rule" to prevent it from harming America's coal industry.
- Cancelled Obama's anti-coal Clean Power Plan and proposed the Affordable Clean Energy Rule as a replacement.
- Withdrew from the job-killing Paris climate agreement, which would have cost the U.S. nearly $3 trillion and led to 6.5 million fewer industrial sector jobs by 2040.
- U.S. oil production has achieved its highest level in American history
- United States is now the largest crude oil producer in the world.
- U.S. has become a net natural gas exporter for the first time in six decades.
- Action to expedite the identification and extraction of critical minerals that are vital to the nation's security and economic prosperity.
- Took action to reform National Ambient Air Quality Standards, benefitting American manufacturers.
- Rescinded Obama's hydraulic fracturing rule, which was expected to cost the industry $32 million per year.
- Proposed an expansion of offshore drilling as part of an all-of-the above energy strategy
  - Held a lease sale for offshore oil and gas leases in the Gulf of Mexico in August 2018.
- Got EU to increase its imports of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the United States.
- Issued permits for the New Burgos Pipeline that will cross the U.S.-Mexico border.

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[–] Tacosaurusman 112 points 13 hours ago

Thanks for the expansive lists! But i don't consider increasing the coal production a positive thing.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 173 points 10 hours ago

It is because coal production was forcefully phased out prematurely by Obama policies putting many people out of work with no other employment options available.

Nobody is arguing that coal is better or anything of the like.

What we are saying is that you don't use government power to forcefully shutter businesses for political reasons. We all know green energy is the way to go, that this technology will ultimately be the winner against fossil fuels. You have to allow this transition to happen naturally over time and allow it to be driven by market forces. This natural progression allows time for newer technologies to take over in a more gradual manner thus allowing the training and transition into those technologies by the workforce.

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[–] **brickmack** **-13 points** 7 hours ago

Prematurely? Even with no regulation whatsoever, coal still can't economically compete. Trump hasn't changed that, and nothing can ever change that short of banning solar power

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[–] **SumCibusRex** **37 points** 6 hours ago

Then coal will be phased out by the free market as opposed to economy choking regulations according to you. Sounds like Trump is making the right moves in that case.

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[–] **brickmack** **-9 points** 5 hours ago

It is being phased out by the free market. I think what Trump is doing is stupid because its blatant pandering to displaced coal miners, not because its actually harmful.

That said, this has only become true recently. Sometimes things need to be done regardless of their economic impact. 20 years ago coal was far cheaper than solar, but nonetheless the technical ability to switch to all-renewables was there and the environmental impact of coal was well known. Back then we still should have outright banned coal.

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[–] **Fatkungfuu** **15 points** 4 hours ago

>Sometimes things need to be done regardless of their economic impact.

Great, then some more things, and some more things, then a couple more things. Whoops now we're broke, starving, and undergoing hyperinflation how could this have happened we had the best intentions!

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[–] **softice** **-8 points** 4 hours ago

This is some of the most bullshit reasoning ive heard in a while. We get rid of coal then petrol and then plastics and then we have planet that will susyain human life again. Anyone arguing that coal is still needed and phasing out is bad for the economy has a backwards mindset.

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[–] **Fatkungfuu** **2 points** 3 hours ago

>Anyone arguing that coal is still needed and phasing out is bad for the economy has a backwards mindset.

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[–] **softice** **0 points** 3 hours ago

So we should just keep burning and fucking up the planet?

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[–] **LiquidRitz** **5 points** 4 hours ago

You are right... We should just throw away this golden resource we have been practically sitting on for 8 years...

Coal doesnt get better with age and right now using it for power is SUPER cheap because we are using our own supply. Guess what we can do with all that cheap energy... Innovate, grow, develop ourselves.

If you cant look at the big picture at least stay quiet long enough for someone to explain it to you.

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[–] **stormy_does_anal** **13 points** 6 hours ago

Agreed. However, coal is today still profitable and as long as that's the case, intentionally blocking it's production is something I would consider premature.

Banning either is the wrong move. Same as subsidising either is the wrong move. Coal production will die out entirely on it's own. We just have to wait a little bit.

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[–] **LiquidRitz** **5 points** 4 hours ago

Coal absolutely competes. Post, regulations, Coal produced 6 kwh to Solars 0.8 kwh.

Don't just say shit you cant back up without CNN or Buzzfeeds help.

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[–] **therealcaptaincrunch** **-21 points** 8 hours ago

Yea but he forcefully shuttered solar energy, putting a lot of people out of jobs that you know, have a future. I'm too lazy to link but this was way back when he first came in, you know 1000 scandals ago

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[–] **stormy_does_anal** **41 points** 7 hours ago

No he didn't. He just stopped giving them our money (government subsidies) which is completely different than what Obama did. He also slapped a tariff on cheap shitty Chinese panels to level the playing field so American made panels can compete in the US market.

> I'm too lazy to link

Why am I not surprised.

> you know 1000 scandals ago

Oh, I almost forgot. He's going to get his peach mints from Crazy Maxine any day now right?

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[–] **RickyMissile 13 points** 7 hours ago

As others have noted this is false. I live in Arizona and my neighbor used to be a solar executive. He told me that his business would last until Obama was out of office and the government faucet was turned off. You should be happy that your money isn't being pimped into the bank accounts of people like my neighbor anymore.

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[–] **Tacosaurusman -28 points** 9 hours ago

Politics should heavily interfere with the transition to green energy. Why would a company do that by itself?

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[–] **stormy_does_anal 44 points** 9 hours ago

Any company is going to do whatever is most profitable, eventually what's most profitable will be green energy as prices for those technologies continues to fall and the means of production becomes more efficient. Coal will eventually reach the point of being unprofitable for practically any use entirely on it's own and there's nothing anyone can do to stop that.

Anytime the government sticks it's nose into the marketplace you end up with unintended consequences which is exactly what we saw happen with Obama on his coal policies. The end result was putting 10's of thousands of people out of work and onto government benefits further increasing the social cost of those policies.

Obama was far to premature on trying to stop a viable market and then trying to force the creation of a new green market with government subsidies. Both failed spectacularly. Need I remind you of Solyndra or are you simply to young to remember?

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[–] **Tacosaurusman -10 points** 9 hours ago

Did not know about Solyndra, I'm not from the usa btw.

But im still convinced we should put way more pressure on the transition to sustainable energy, dispite the fact that some companies and politians fuck up sometimes.

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[–] **stormy_does_anal 22 points** 9 hours ago

> im still convinced we should put way more pressure on the transition to sustainable energy

I agree 100% with you just not with using government force to achieve it. If you want to go about it the right way you do this with the money in your own pocket and encourage your friends and family to do the same helping to speed the process along. Seek out and buy or support products, suppliers and their associates who use green energy and steer clear of those who don't.

At least this way you don't put thousands of people out on the street with no job, food and housing.

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[–] **Tacosaurusman 1 point** 9 hours ago

Yes i agree fully that people should (at least try to) support sustainable products. However, i cannot choose to buy nuclear energy (for example) if there are no companies building nuclear plants. And government money IS our collective money, which should be used to subsidize (the transition to) sustainable energy and research IMO. And also support people in finding new jobs when old coal mines are closed of course.

And I know people from the usa are usually very against their government spending money, so we are probably not going to convince each other now, haha.

Anyway, have a nice weekend!

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[–] **_Wave_Function_ 9 points** 8 hours ago

Your nuclear plant example is actually a perfect example of why we need the government out of this. We haven't had a new nuclear plant built in the US in decades because of government regulation that have made it far to burdensome/expensive to bother. You have the "not in my backyard" crowd who is against nuclear energy due to a lack of understanding and media propaganda that distort what it is and what happens when something goes wrong. This has resulted in regulations that were created with the intent not to make it safer, but to prevent new facilities from being constructed.

The only legitimate argument against nuclear energy is where to put the waste and that's a infinitely simpler problem to solve than making wind and solar viable.

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[–] **stormy_does_anal 8 points** 9 hours ago

> subsidize (the transition to) sustainable energy and research IMO.

Again, Solyndra. That's exactly what Obama did because it sounds good right. I agree, that does sound like a good plan. The reality which has been proven time and time again is disaster. It NEVER works.

> support people in finding new jobs when old coal mines are closed of course.

In other words, knock people out of a job, reduce their standard of living and put them on the taxpayers dime.

Letting market forces deal with this naturally causes very little disruption to peoples lives or their standard of living. Letting government take those actions to force the change is extremely expensive and is outright harmful to people.

Look, this is all going to happen entirely on it's own if we just sit back and let it happen. Coal simply can't compete with emerging technologies.

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[–] crimsonpowder 18 points 9 hours ago

The way to create this pressure is through research into green tech, not forcing us to use existing shitty green tech.

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[–] Opie67 3 points 6 hours ago

The program that funded Solyndra also funded several other projects, and the program itself was profitable even tough Solyndra failed. Be cautious, these people are not arguing in good faith.

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[–] Wvaliant 11 points 8 hours ago

It's good in a sense all those workers arnt losing their livelihoods anymore over coal being an actually good thing. I don't consider myself a heavy environmentalist, but I do understand that coal and emissions at a modern population rate can have bad lasting effects on the planet. however! Shuttering those jobs and telling companies do find new energy or get bent at such a rapid pace is not it chief and that's what obama did. We need research and development on it and a slow pulling off of coals and oil and into better energy for the best effect.

Issue is a 4T " new green deal" also isn't a valid solution either because if tax payers don't want to pay 5B for a wall they sure as fuck won't want to pay 4T for a plan that may or may not work in the long run.

It's fragile balancing act transitioning from energy to energy and in reality no one REALLY has a valid answer even if politicians apposing trump want to pretend that they do.

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[–] DarkDosman 6 points 8 hours ago

Coal is an extremely important strategical Ressource though... It would have weakened your country immensely and would be almost irreversible in the long run. You can't just "open up a mine again" in 15years or so when everybody feels the massive hit on economical and political power. You'd need to start from scratch and build it all up again with zero standing assets. Not only that but you'd have the problem of removing the old infrastructure and have have, due to the missing maintenance, very unsafe mines. It is important for an independent country to have control and access to strategical resources and have the power to stay independent. It's also vital to have the cost of electricity as low as you can possibly push it in a modernized world. Almost nothing brings more freedom, progress and equality to people than usable energy. You also risk being a political subordinate to the others if you don't have control over your own energy. Look at the disastrous decisions we made in Europe. Electric Energy in Europe has almost become a luxury. Over 30€cent per kilowatt, thats 40 us cent I think, per kilowatt. It halts progress, freedom, equality and raises poverty. We are now forced into a position to bend to outside political powers to satisfy our energy needs. A lot of people meant well, but it made everything so much worse. I am all for renewable energy, we need to be produce as much of it as we possibly can. But not if it weakens the core of our democracy.

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[–] passittoboeser 4 points 6 hours ago

If they can make the extraction process as clean as possible it's a strategic resource for export since a lot of the third word uses coal due to many economic and infrastructural reasons. It would be good to get these countries out of the coal burning phase but until they do, it might be better to get the coal from a regulated western country rather than some other less-ethical practices.

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[–] SumCibusRex 2 points 5 hours ago

Damn, I have never heard this point before. Thanks!

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[–] Neo-Pagan 1 point 2 hours ago

Or opening up the Alaska wildlife refuge to exploration. I'm surprised that made the list

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[–] ScottBlues 1 point 4 hours ago

That's fair, for others it is though.

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[–] LiquidRitz 0 points 4 hours ago

Think of coal as money under your mattress...

It doesn't gain value overtime sitting under the mattress.

It is most valuable 10 years ago (roughly). It is most valuable at the moment for us to use it to power ourselves. Cheap electricity is hard to come by and it will help in EVERY facet of our lives.

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[–] **betelgeuse7** **-21 points** 13 hours ago

It's expansive list but almost entirely bullshit. It's a mix of non-trump actions and negative trump actions, no idea how it's getting upvoted. It's just T_D bullshit. Can only assume it's either being bridaged by T_D subscribers or people haven't actually bothered to read it through and are just upvoting a long list because it looks pretty.

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[–] **fanzypanzer** **40 points** 12 hours ago

...He says without actually refuting anything. Typical.

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[–] **jawni** **-20 points** 10 hours ago

Because they listed like 100 points and most of them you can tell were either something that would happen regardless, something most presidents would have done anyways, or something that subjectively good rather than objectively.

This is less of a "what good things has Trump done" and more of "what things have happened since Trump took office". How much influence he had and how good it was are pretty subjective.

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **34 points** 10 hours ago

And nobody here has read any actual news for the last 3 years, so naturally everyone is very disoriented. "But muh Russia then Stormy the guy hamberder went Korea bing bong *racist*!"

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[–] **Cessno** **-12 points** 9 hours ago

I've been reading the news everyday. That's why I dislike this president. He's the reason I missed two paychecks

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **23 points** 9 hours ago

I thought that was Pelosi, because she wouldn't give any $ towards the wall?

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[–] **Cessno** **-4 points** 9 hours ago

It was trump that torpedoed the deal that everyone agreed on. Literally a 100-0 vote and trump ran that into the ground. So he started the shutdown then basically held the government hostage over his useless wall.

I'm glad they didn't fall for his bullshit. Sucks that it lasted that long but I'm glad trump caved to the pressure

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **25 points** 9 hours ago

It's fine, as it looks like we will likely get a wall anyway. But Democrats don't have to feel like bad people, even though they all have walls around their giant mansions. And they can all claim that they have always been morally pure, even though they all funded a wall like 3 years ago or whatever (before it was racist!) ;)

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[–] **Cessno** **-2 points** 9 hours ago

Where are you getting this info that we are getting a wall?

There have been parts of a border wall before but those were in places that made a little more sense. But putting them in unpopulated areas is just freaking dumb

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **21 points** 9 hours ago

When he does the emergency shutdown. He's authorized to build using the military - troops on their way now.

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[–] **Cessno** **-20 points** 9 hours ago

There aren't troops on the way. Straight up fake news.

Plus if he does an emergency order it will be struck down in the courts. It's not an emergency as border crossings are lower than they've been in many years. You can't call it an emergency when the border patrol is actually doing a pretty good job.

Trump even said the border patrol is doing really well himself

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **48 points** 9 hours ago

It's straight up fake news except in the sense that it's literally happening. So I guess you may have a point, in your own mind.

No, Trump has legal authority to use the military to build, so, yeah. Don't know what to tell you.

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[–] **Cessno** **-2 points** 9 hours ago

Also you dumbasses don't understand what a Pandora's box you are opening if this does work.

It will be super fun when we get another president who doesn't like "assault weapons" and declares a national emergency to take them away from people.

After all a president can do that right?

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 7 points 8 hours ago

Obama already did it when he used Executive Orders in place of legislation, used government agencies to attack and subdue political opponents, and put unflattering journalists in prison.

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[–] Seamanteries 5 points 6 hours ago

> calling people dumbasses

>> threatening to take people's gun

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[–] Cessno 0 points 6 hours ago

I'm not making the threat. I'm saying that's what might happen if we open this Pandora's box. I don't want over reaching in gun control since I'm an owner myself.

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[–] Seamanteries 2 points 6 hours ago

What "Pandora's box"?

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

Using national emergencies to get their political will. If trump does that it may very well allow the next person to get away with it.

Something I've learned about presidencies is that a lot of the rules aren't really set in stone. It's just that people follow the example set by presidents before.

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[–] Seamanteries 5 points 6 hours ago

> get their political will

Osamba did it 3 times, so why is he allowed to do it and not President Trump?

> rules aren't set in stone

All right bud, we know that is also false. There is something called 'checks and balances'.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

When did Obama use a national emergency to push a policy through?

He used executive powers, but you'll find a lot of people have trouble with that on the left too

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[–] Seamanteries 2 points 5 hours ago

> policy

One of them was where he issued a state of emergency after the Arab Spring uprising in response to Yemeni governmental actions.

> executive powers

Nope, even today there are still about 31 active national emergencies from previous presidents.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 5 hours ago

Yeah and that's fucked

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[–] Seamanteries 3 points 5 hours ago

> agree

That isn't an argument, because he still did it and I didn't see leftist

screeching about him doing that.

> sort of nonsense

What nonsense?

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[–] **Cessno 1 point** 5 hours ago

Dear lord I get it now. You guys “win” arguments through a firehouse of pure stupidity that people don’t want to put up with.

Plenty of people had issue with the national emergencies but you only listen to people who agree with you so of course you missed that

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[–] **Seamanteries 2 points** 5 hours ago

I'm not looking to win anything, I'm here to understand how you can blatantly dismiss the importance of the electoral college and in the next breath cry about your candidate losing because "MUH POPULERR VERT". It's ridiculous. And then,

to make things even more ridiculous, you go on to compare it to state elections.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 5 hours ago

You sure seem like you are trying to prove something

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

Whise alt account is this by he way? You are targeting everyone of my comments in here

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[–] Seamanteries 1 point 5 hours ago

Targeting? Get over yourself.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 5 hours ago

You replied to nearly every one of my comments that are buried in a steaming shit pile of a comment section. How did you find them?

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[–] Cessno -20 points 9 hours ago

Prove it then. Should be easy

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[–] TysonButterbean 78 points 9 hours ago

https://www.google.com/search?q=troops+to+border&source=lnms&tbm=nws&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwjl3uC_gZvgAhX1KX0KHYQx

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[–] Cessno -17 points 9 hours ago

So there are more troops atbhe border and trump said they might build a wall. That's not at lol what you said lol

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[–] TysonButterbean 28 points 9 hours ago

Um...he's not waiting for anything. As the 20 links say, the troops are *on the way to the border now*.

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[–] **Cessno** -4 points 9 hours ago

Yeah he is. Why was the government shut down for all that time? It was damaging his reputation further and if he could have legally pulled an emergency order to build the wall and end the shutdown then why didn't he?

It's clear that he is just losing at every front and the emergency order is his last desperate effort.

And I keep saying it but you don't get it, they aren't there to build the wall yet. They are just down there as political props

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[–] **TysonButterbean** 25 points 9 hours ago

Oh, ok, where did you see that (that they are there as props)? Links, please.

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[–] **OMG-StopOppressingMe** 5 points 8 hours ago

I like how you provide links to all of your claims, and when you ask the same in return, they reply with "It's common sense". Shows their complete lack of knowledge on this topic, and that they don't care to research into it more (not like they have done any research to begin with - hence the just regurgitation of MSM talking points) , so they simply tune you out.

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[–] **Cessno** -3 points 8 hours ago

It's common sense. They can't do much down there and the border patrol Is actually doing well at stopping crossing on their own

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[–] **HardlyWorthMyTime** 8 points 5 hours ago

What the fuck is wrong with you man??? You are literally shown something, and yet you still keep inventing shit to rationalize *what you want* to be occurring.

I cant imagine living like you. Get some serious help dude.

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[–] **Cessno** -1 points 5 hours ago

No u

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[–] **Haram__** 1 point 43 minutes ago

Special case if npc.msi

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[–] **HardlyWorthMyTime** 1 point 5 hours ago

Nigga you need help

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[–] **bagelmanman35** 12 points 6 hours ago

Just accept you are way out of your element and slink back to the shadows.

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[–] **Cessno** -2 points 6 hours ago

Nah I'm going to keep calling you all dumbasses for believing that he can pull off a national emergency to build a wall

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[–] bagelmanman35 9 points 6 hours ago

Not surprising, most suffering from TDS 24/7 can't accept realities or facts.

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[–] Williamsarapist 5 points 4 hours ago

Funds for building that wall was included in the military budget last year. Wall has been in construction for almost 3 months now lol.

Ahead of schedule

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[–] Cessno -4 points 4 hours ago

Literal fake news

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[–] Williamsarapist 3 points 4 hours ago

Don't worry, just a matter of time and you'll find the truth

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[–] Cessno 0 points 4 hours ago

The there isn't funding for a wall in the military budget already?

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[–] Williamsarapist 4 points 4 hours ago

Read my earlier comment again

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[–] LegalCurve -25 points 9 hours ago

FUCK OFF

PROPAGANDA ALERT, stop posting MISLEADING BULLSHIT.

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[–] acceptableduck 18 points 9 hours ago

lol salty much

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[–] LegalCurve -17 points 8 hours ago

Are you salty that when Harris wins 2020 she's taking your guns and there will never be another white president again?

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[–] Grassyknow 20 points 8 hours ago

Why is it always racist shit ? Do you really think everyone is as racist as you

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[–] Nobody1796 2 points 2 hours ago

They do. They see racism everywhere because they themselves are racist.

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[–] HardlyWorthMyTime 8 points 5 hours ago

Holy fuck you are mentally deranged.

This is why Trump won the first time too...glad to see you haven't learned from your mistakes?

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[–] TysonButterbean 14 points 9 hours ago

STOP POSTING NEW YORK TIMES, WALL STREET JOURNAL, NPR, CNN, CBS, ABC news links stating

FACTS! Aaaahhh!!!!

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[–] Bearing51 8 points 7 hours ago

Wow the NPC is really having a hard time with this.

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[–] Williamsarapist 3 points 4 hours ago

They just received a new update in their software inside their brain. So far, executing as expected

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[–] PadaV4 5 points 6 hours ago

Yea i agree, no one should ever cite fake and misleading news like CNN.

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[–] finalaccountdown 3 points 9 hours ago

should we come back here when everything you just said turns out to be demonstrably wrong?

it's just, alot of us are getting tired of doing that, we cant correct millions of retards every damn day

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[–] Cessno (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

Yep I'll save this comment and come back when the emergency order either doesn't happen or gets struck down.

I'll bet I'll come back to this a just see {deleted}

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[–] Cessno 0 points 9 hours ago

So are there troops on their way to the southern border to build a wall right now?

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[–] Seamanteries 1 point 6 hours ago

> dumb

Why is it dumb?

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

Well for one it has to be built entirely on our land so we are basically giving privately owned land to Mexico. Two it will be ineffective. Three the land crossings aren't the porous part of our border.

It just doesn't make much sense financially

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[–] Seamanteries 3 points 6 hours ago

> to Mexico

That's a lie. Stop.

> ineffective

How?

> land crossings

Yes they are. I'll take the words of border security over somebody like you.

> financially

Why?

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

So maybe it didn't word it correctly but the land that is technically part of the US but on the Mexico side of the wall; what would you call that? It's not useable the people that used to own that land, and it's easily accessible to Mexicans. It's not technically Mexico but it might as well be.

In this source https://www.nytimes.com/2018/06/20/us/politics/fact-check-trump-border-crossings-declining-.html you can see a dramatic drop in illegal crossing in the graph they use. Which uses CBP numbers.

It's ineffective because it won't stop tunneling or entrance to the country by sea and air. Which makes up the majority of illegal entries.

Finically it's bad because it doesn't really give that much of a benefit and it won't be completed for just 5 billion dollars. That's not even involving the maintenance which I'm guessing will exceed the initial cost within a decade

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[–] Seamanteries 2 points 6 hours ago

> it's not technically Mexico

That's a lot different from what you said: "basically giving privately owned land to Mexico".

You're full of shit. Thanks for admitting to it.

> tunneling

Nirvana fallacy.

> that much of a benefit

Another lie.

El Paso has a border wall and the border hopping has dropped immensely. This has even been covered by CNN's very own and proving President Trump right, again.

So weird how Osamba and Dems advocated for a wall, but they won't do it for President Trump. So weird.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

I said I didn't word what I meant properly. If you have your land taken from you by the government and had a wall put through it then you basically lose that land to whoever is on the other side. Which is Mexico

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[–] Seamanteries 1 point 5 hours ago

> government

The government is able to use eminent domain, especially in regards to national security.

> most hate

What people hate is irrelevant to what's happening at the border and doesn't stop illegals from going to these certain areas where there is no wall.

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[–] TargusNazg -6 points 8 hours ago

It'd probably be easier to pass a budget if you don't hold the country hostage to fund a wall that you could have easily funded the first two years of the presidency.

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[–] TysonButterbean 12 points 8 hours ago

I don't remember that - I remember Paul Ryan being obstructionist. Did you perceive things differently?

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[–] TargusNazg 1 point 8 hours ago

I dunno. Where in your perception does McConnell lie?

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[–] TysonButterbean 9 points 8 hours ago

Well, you have the house, the senate, and the president. And then they all need to sign off. So you can't do it without everyone on board.

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[–] TargusNazg 4 points 8 hours ago

And Ryan singlehandedly stopped all of that from happening during a Republican majority.

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[–] Bulok 7 points 6 hours ago

That's not how it works dude. You can't say "Hillary would have done the same".

If you're being fair and impartial you would give credit for something that was actually done. Saying "any president would have done the same" is baseless and purely hypothetical.

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[–] **jawni 2 points** 5 hours ago

I guess I worded that part poorly, but I still maintain that because many things on the list lack the context to be judged fairly(whether it be Trump's level of involvement or a historical comparison) and that many things on the list are heavily subjective, this is just a list of things that have happened while Trump is in office rather than "good things Trump has done in office".

How much credit(or admonishment) you can give Trump varies wildly from item to item.

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[–] **[deleted] 1 point** 8 hours ago

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[–] **theawesomeone 9 points** 10 hours ago

Orange man bad!

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[–] **betelgeuse7 2 points** 10 hours ago

Yawn.

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[–] **finalaccountdown 7 points** 9 hours ago

well you would be tired, infinite nonstop 2 year long tantrums will do that to you snowflake.

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[–] **crankery 7 points** 12 hours ago

The "national security" provided by buying aluminum from Russia instead of Canada for example.

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[–] **residue69 1 point** 8 hours ago

> The "national security" provided by buying aluminum from Russia instead of ~~Canada~~ *China* for example.

Effects of U.S. Tariff Action on U.S. Aluminum Manufacturing >A Department of Commerce investigation of the aluminum industry found that imports and global overcapacity, caused in part by foreign government subsidies (particularly in China), have had a substantial negative effect on domestic production of primary aluminum. But it appears that comparatively high electricity costs have been another important factor affecting domestic production

>Century Aluminum, the main proponent of the tariff and chiefly a domestic producer, has responded positively, restarting its smelter in Hawesville, KY. Alcoa, the largest domestic producer with substantial overseas production and an opponent of the tariff, has not restarted any capacity. It says the tariff has not been enough of a factor to allow it to reopen curtailed capacity. The Aluminum Association, an industry trade group, opposes the global tariff on aluminum, arguing it will raise costs across the aluminum supply chain. It has asked for a global forum to discuss aluminum excess capacity and a U.S.-Chinese negotiated agreement

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[–] **fong_hofmeister 6 points** 9 hours ago

It isn't bullshit because it hurts your feelings. How about coming with something more than an opinion. I'm so grateful people like you are on the other side lol.

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[–] **GetBTFO 5 points** 9 hours ago

Stage 1: Denial.

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[–] **Cessno 1 point** 9 hours ago

It's absolutely being brigaded

Here's OPs post on the donald about this thread
https://www.reddit.com/r/The_Donald/comments/am2wxl/npcs_are_going_bonkers_over_on_askreddit_because/?st=JRM8W34C&sh=8788494c

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[–] **Tacosaurusman -4 points** 12 hours ago

I was afraid of this. I already saw some dubious stuff in there.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 16 points** 10 hours ago

The only thing you have to fear is fear itself.

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[–] tonytwocans -6 points 10 hours ago

He posted this thread to T_D so that's probably how those shills got here.

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[–] TysonButterbean 31 points 10 hours ago

"Shill = person with opinion different than my own"

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[–] tonytwocans 3 points 10 hours ago

So does that make me an npc then? Since I disagree with you?

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[–] GetBTFO 11 points 9 hours ago

Without providing any proof/evidence/facts/statistics to refute these claims he made - then yes. You are literally the living definition of the "orange man bad!" meme.

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[–] tonytwocans -1 points 9 hours ago

An Npc. Really. Do you even know what an npc is?

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[–] finalaccountdown 9 points 9 hours ago

if we can all guess exactly what you say next will you try to become a real boy?

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[–] theboywhocriedcuck 2 points 9 hours ago

You have opinions but they aren't your own. Not a single one of them unique. Say something I'm not expecting right now..

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[–] betelgeuse7 -5 points 9 hours ago

Quite sad how they can't just leave it alone, they all have to emerge from that cesspit to come and swarm all over it to defend their god emperor to the hilt.

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[–] GetBTFO 10 points 9 hours ago

We are just providing you with the facts/statistics that the media and 99% of the Reddit community won't tell or show you. I don't see anything wrong with that.

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[–] finalaccountdown 6 points 9 hours ago

sorry for being so stupid we all wish we were enlightened like you.

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[–] Roodyrooster 4 points 7 hours ago

Notice all this swarm and no racist, sexist,homophobic or fascistic comments. It's almost like the community was labeled unfairly

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 19 points 10 hours ago

Funny how things like "ok'd to $12 billion in aid for farmers affected by unfair trade retaliation." How did that happen again? Oh right the tariffs also listed on the list essentially shifting a cost to the American people to a cost to the American people, brilliant.

So is withdrew from the Paris Climate Agreement, one of the only international efforts to curb climate change. And geez look at all of these disregards for environment on tope of that.

Opening Alaskan National wildlife refuge to energy exploration. Rolled back "stream protection rule" to protect the coal industry from needing to care what damage they do.

And do you expect will benefit American manufacturers in regards to reforming National Ambient Air Quality Standards? Do you suspect they will care to self impose costs to maintain air quality?

And of course the clearing roadblocks Keystone pipeline, effectively ignoring/bulldozing through treaty agreements with the tribes.

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[–] politicusmaximus 24 points 9 hours ago

Did you miss the part were we now sell fucking rice to China?

Let me say that again, because of the trade push from Trump, the US sells freaking rice to China.

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[–] residue69 4 points 8 hours ago

Record U.S. Soybean Sale to China

>"Today's sale of 2.74 mmt of U.S. soybeans to China is the single largest daily soybean sale since USDA began issuing daily sales reports in 1977. This is another strong sign that China continues to look to the U.S. as a reliable supplier of high-quality products. This is great news not just for American soybean farmers, but for the U.S. economy overall."

The U.S.-China trade relationship continues to flourish, thanks in large part to agriculture. U.S. farm exports to China have grown nearly tenfold over the past decade, from $1.5 billion in fiscal year 2000 to $15 billion in 2010. Each $1 billion in exports supports 8,000 jobs throughout the supply chain, including rural growers, processors, shippers and others.

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[–] **ysomethingy 3 points** 6 hours ago

That's an article written in 2011, meaning it happened under Obama. Farmers are still worried that they won't be able to sell what they have, but it looks like China might buy and Brazil is increasing their production, so they have to be cautious.
https://www.farmprogress.com/market-news/bulls-are-happy-hear-china-plans-buy-more-us-soybeans

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[–] **residue69 1 point** 6 hours ago

Oops, Jan 2011 instead of 2019. I'm degoogling and other search engines aren't that great at constraining dates on news yet.

I was also under the impression we were selling 5mmt a day, but the article has been update to show it was a single purchase of 5mmt.

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[–] **ysomethingy 0 points** 5 hours ago

I wish it had more information, but I figured I'd use the same sight. Trump's fight with China, whether good or bad in the long run, is definitely hurting farmers in the short term.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 20 points** 10 hours ago

Not a big fan of tribalism, myself. We need to unite!

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[–] **Cessno 1 point** 10 hours ago

If you are a fan of unity then why post about this in the donald about this very thread?

https://www.reddit.com/r/The_Donald/comments/am2wxl/npcs_are_going_bonkers_over_on_askreddit_because/?st=JRM8W34C&sh=8788494c

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[–] **Cessno -18 points** 10 hours ago

You post to the donald. Don't act like you care about unity.

The donald is the most incredibly partisan, toxic and tribalistic shit I've ever seen.

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[–] **dashnine 20 points** 9 hours ago

Im so sick of people judging T_D when there is cesspools like r/politics out there.

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[–] **Cessno -8 points** 9 hours ago

You can actually have a different opinion there without getting banned. You are probably just butthurt that they called you stupid for saying stupid things

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[–] **dashnine 14 points** 8 hours ago

LMAO no they do not. That sub only allows posts that are anti-Trump. That sub is a cesspool of shills and propaganda, its 1000x worse than T_D. At least T_D doesn't pretend to be bi-partisan.

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[–] **Cessno -8 points** 8 hours ago

Hahaha ok. Clearly you have lost all connection to reality

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[–] **dashnine 6 points** 8 hours ago

lol Whats wrong with Sanders now? Did the media tell you guys to hate him lately or something?

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[–] **Cessno 1 point** 7 hours ago

I've always had issues with him. You know what's wrong with sanders I'm guessing

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[–] **dashnine 1 point** 7 hours ago

You want to know the future?

The same propaganda and deceit that was used to smear Trump will be used on any DNC candidate that presents a threat to whomever they want to run in 2020. This is what is being done to Bernie and Tulsi Gabbard currently. The MSM are completely working with them to push the agendas.

If you see a Dem candidate getting fauned over and pushed by the media early on, its because the people in charge of the DNC do not consider them a real threat to the real candidate (be it Biden or Clinton..). Beto? Kamala? Sparticus? cmon.

Do me a favor. When you see the blatant disinformation and lies that are going to be pushed around during the Dem Primaries, remember this is the same people and propaganda that led 1/2 of the country to believe the other half are 'nazis' and racists.

You really are being lied to, how many more times will there be another 'bombshell' to go off that was debunked later? Where is the proof of Russian involvement anywhere? $4800 in facebook ads?

Imagine how mad you would feel if you knew that most of the mainstream media gets all of its talking points each day at 4:15 am, and those talking points were slanted to paint such a negative view of the POTUS and his supporters, which has become so bad that it literally is bringing out outright anger and violence in 1/2 of the population?

Once you see what they are doing to divide the country, you cant stop seeing it.

This is not in your mainstream news, nor on Fox. On the right there has been a huge awakening, and all the left is doing is giving its supporters bullshit reasons why they shouldn't listen to it, work to deplatform it, or find other means to hide the truth.

I was fooled once too.

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[–] **Cessno** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

You think you are so smart but you are just falling for the shit. Good luck with that wool over your eyes.

And I'll remind you that the investigation isn't over so yeah there isn't going to be stuff out there now, mueller has kept a lid on the leaks. I'm coming back to this post when the report comes out to laugh at your dumbass. Unless you actually have accepted the results

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[–] **dashnine** **1 point** 6 hours ago

LMAO.

You better hope so. Because if there is nothing, then this President would be the most investigated POTUS of all time. Which also means that he would be the most **vetted** POTUS of all time as well. What do the Dems do after that? What can they try to pin on him that a FBI special counsel over 2 years didn't see?

Shit, if Mueller has nothing .. Trump comes out looking strong as shit huh?

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[–] **Cessno** **0 points** 6 hours ago

What part of the investigation is not over do you not understand? Holy fuck you are stupid

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[–] **dashnine** **1 point** 6 hours ago

How am I stupid? So the investigation isnt over right? Does 'Shit looking bad' mean anything? No. LMAO. Does 'Shit looking bad' mean anything in a court of law?

If anything thats called SPIN.

They want Russian collusion and wikileaks, yet they want to arrest Roger Stone because he lied to them about BS between him and Randy Credico? Or shit Manafort did before he was a part of the campaign?

Don't go throwing around the word stupid when its you that just thinks that people can go to jail for 'Shit looks bad'

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** 6 hours ago

No they can go for corruption though and there is plenty of that going around

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[–] **[deleted]** **1 point** 6 hours ago

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[–] **GweatFwiendInWome** **10 points** 8 hours ago

>You can actually have a different opinion there without getting banned.

Unless you post to the_donald, apparently.

>You are probably just butthurt that they called you stupid for saying stupid things

Uhhhh...

>Also they actually sort of care about being correct when there are you guys who will believe literally anything that's positive about trump

So... orange man bad? ¯_(ツ)_/¯

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[–] **OMG-StopOppressingMe** **7 points** 7 hours ago

>Also they actually sort of care about being correct when there are you guys who will believe literally anything that's positive about trump

r/politics just last week was circle-jerking the BuzzFeed "bombshell" story that turned out false, and then days later went on to dox and threaten the Convington Catholic boys who turns out were the ones harassed all along.

Folks in T_D do care about being factually correct - but you don't browse the sub enough to see others calling out people who post disinformation. Perhaps browse there sometimes and come to your own conclusion. I browse other subs such as r/politics and I can assure you they believe everything anti-Trump, even after it's been debunked.

That's because they don't care about being correct, they care about getting tHe oRaNgE mAn and those darn NaZi rEd HaTs - because if they cared about the facts more than fueling their feelings, they wouldn't keep tripping over themselves when these phony stories emerge. They just wanna get their anti-Trump fix.

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[–] **Cessno** **0 points** 7 hours ago

Did you also see all the massively upvoted posts about how the buzzfeed article might be incorrect?

Well of course you aren't going to talk about it because that doesn't fit. As for Covington that whole thing was a clisterfuck and I'm no sure anyone that wasn't there can really get a good read on that situation

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[–] **OMG-StopOppressingMe** **4 points** 7 hours ago

I did not see it, I don't browse it on an every day basis. Majority of the time when a big story comes out as false and they retract it, it's not given much viewership when the factual story resurfaces, and by then the damage is done. There is the slim percent that does though.

I'm not out to "fit" a specific narrative I just want facts so that I may come to my own conclusion.

>As for Covington that whole thing was a clisterfuck and I'm no sure anyone that wasn't there can really get a good read on that situation

Anyone including yourself can get a perfect read on the situation if you watch the 1 hour 45 minute long full video, which many have not.

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** 7 hours ago

Haha the page was covered in the story about the rebuttal from mueller. As for the Covington thing I just couldn't give less off a fuck

You are just hiding from the fact that politics is nowhere near as bad as the donald where I got banned instantly

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[–] **OMG-StopOppressingMe** **5 points** 6 hours ago

And I couldn't give less of a fuck about the Russian Mueller BS that you all are waiting for to impeach President Trump AnY dAy nOw.

You don't get banned there for having a pragmatic, intellectual conversation and/or debate (as many level-headed left leaning people have before), so that tells me you were banned appropriately.

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Hahaha oh my god you can get banned so easily from there. I almost want to make an account to just prove to you how easy it is to get banned while having a calm rational debate. If it goes against trump in any way you get banned.

If I remember right I got banned because I said that the donald was heavily moderated and ban happy in a post where they claimed that leftist spaces only existed online because of heavy moderation.

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[–] **OMG-StopOppressingMe** **3 points** 6 hours ago

Well I do not agree with them in that aspect. There are policies of Trump that I am not in line with, and if they were to ban me from having a civil discourse with others on those policies, then that's just as bad as any.

The banning of folks who may disagree politically but have come to have a civil discussion is flat out wrong and urges people to stay in their echo-chamber, furthering the divide.

Anyhow it was a pleasure speaking with you - thank you for being rather cordial in this discussion - have a great weekend!

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** 6 hours ago

You too buddy. Just be careful what you say on the donald if you like posting there

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[–] Seamanteries 1 point 6 hours ago

T_D doesn't ban you for having civil discourse, but it recommended in the sidebar to take things like "I got banned because I said that the donald was heavily moderated and ban happy in a post where they claimed that leftist spaces only existed online because of heavy moderation." over to their question sub. That comment I quoted will definitely get you banned because it breaks the rules.

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[–] Seamanteries 2 points 6 hours ago

> I got banned because I said that the donald was heavily moderated and ban happy in a post where they claimed that leftist spaces only existed online because of heavy moderation.

It even says right in the sidebar that T_D is a pro-Trump rally, so if you want to state your opinion you'll have to go to asktrumpsupporters or another one of their subs located in the sidebar. It's a safe space by design.

> leftist

A sub like /politics is supposed to be default sub when it is actually a leftist safe space.

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[–] LiquidRitz 0 points 4 hours ago

> /s

You forgot this. Don't worry fam, I got you.

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[–] crimsonpowder 6 points 8 hours ago

Dude have you been to r/politics?

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[–] Cessno 2 points 8 hours ago

Yes, and I want immediately banned for my opinions even though a lot disagreed with me

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[–] crimsonpowder 6 points 8 hours ago

I had a different experience but I'm glad they didn't put you through the wringer!

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[–] Cessno -1 points 8 hours ago

It's probably because you said some exceptionally stupid shit and they told you as much.

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[–] crimsonpowder 9 points 8 hours ago

I can tell you don't like me. That's ok. I hope you have a good day and find someone more worthy of engaging in intellectual debate with.

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[–] Cessno -2 points 8 hours ago

I don't like your politics because you support a corrupt traitor. I'm sure you are alright though but I can't stand people who let this sort of corruption and basic stupidity thrive

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 8 hours ago

HAHAHAHAHAHAHA! Tell me again about how Hillary Clinton is innocent.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 8 hours ago

She's not the president.

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 8 hours ago

Right, I forget, people who aren't president don't go to prison.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 8 hours ago

You fucking losers can't get over her lol.

Living Rent free as you all like to say

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 7 hours ago

Well, if I did what she'd done, I'd be in Leavenworth for the rest of my life. And how can I be a loser if she's "not the president", as you all like to say?

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[–] Cessno 0 points 7 hours ago

Your a loser because of the stupid shit you say. It's pretty simple to understand but once again, you're too dumb to see that

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 7 hours ago

You're a loser because Hillary really isn't your president. She's not anybody's president, it turns out. ¯_(ツ)_/¯

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[–] Cessno 0 points 7 hours ago

That's what I'm saying dumbass but you still think she is a criminal because she is doing shit that has been cleared by a Republican Congress and the FBI.

Oh and those unsecured servers? The trump family is still using those type.

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 2 points 7 hours ago

Right, so when President Trump is cleared of all charges by a Democrat Congress and the FBI, you'll give up this whole "irredeemably evil" thing, right?

Too bad those unsecured servers are used for things unrelated to Top Secret or SAP material, like Hillary's. https://www.huffingtonpost.com/h-a-goodman/why-bernie-sanders-must-address-email_b_10218114.html

Try again.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 7 hours ago

HA Goodman is a fucking hack lol

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 6 hours ago

https://www.nytimes.com/2016/07/06/us/politics/fbi-findings-damage-many-of-hillary-clintons-claims.html

https://www.cnn.com/2017/05/23/politics/clinton-email-2016/index.html

https://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/statements/2016/jul/06/hillary-clinton/fbi-findings-tear-holes-hillary-clintons-email-def/

https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/hillary-clinton-emails-contained-info-above-top-secret-ig-n499886

https://www.newsmax.com/andrewnapolitano/clinton-emails-sap-comey/2016/08/11/id/743174/

https://www.businessinsider.com/hillary-clinton-email-server-top-secret-sap-2016-1

Is everybody a hack unless they agree with you?

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

No but that guy is a straight up hack.

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 2 points 6 hours ago

Really? He's in *your* HuffPuffAndBlo.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

I don't read huff PO and I've disliked the guy ever since he was shilling for sanders constantly

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[–] 312_ye 3 points 7 hours ago

Notice this stable genius didn't refute any of the points. Just more "herr durr you post somewhere I don't like"

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[–] Cessno 0 points 7 hours ago

Well I did refute the point that he cares about unity.

Plus I'm not going to waste time explaining shit to the donald brigade here.

You all are too fucking brainwashed to get anything through

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[–] LiquidRitz 2 points 4 hours ago

In a post about Donald you are butt hurt that it has T_D Posters?

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[–] PM_ME_ANYTHING_FUN 14 points 10 hours ago

I'd rather see 12 billion dollars in Aid in the United States of America rather than 12 billion dollars sent to Afghanistan

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[–] Cessno -7 points 9 hours ago

Ok but that money wouldn't be necessary for either use if there wasn't a useless trade war

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[–] crimsonpowder 9 points 8 hours ago

See I don't think the trade war was useless. It's a game of chicken and China flinched first. We can bail our industries out until we get the result we want which is for other countries to stop taking us for granted or worse.

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 0 points 3 hours ago

Did China flinch? I was under the impression that our countries agreed to a 90 day truce in order to talk and that since the talks began China allowed that we can sell them rice and china started buying our soybeans while the truce is on. I'm not sure if they are buying our soybeans at the price they were before the this trade war or at their current value (which is very down). I mean if the latter is true then our crops probably look enticingly cheap since our prices fell so sharply since China wasn't buying.

It just seems to me that we won't really be able to strong arm agricultural markets with China. I mean take our biggest crop soybeans for instance.

We produce the most in the world at 108 million metric tons per year. next Brazil at 86.8 million metric tons. then Argentina at 53.4 million tons.

China buys the most at 35.8 million metric tons per year. then Mexico 3.6 million metric tons. then Indonesia at 2.5 million metric tons.

Do you see the problem? Nobody has a soybean appetite anywhere near China, we however have competition in producing soybeans.

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[–] Cessno -1 points 8 hours ago

We started trade wars with more than China

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[–] crimsonpowder 11 points 8 hours ago

A lot of it made sense to me. NATO was a huge slap in the face where for years we paid for most of it.

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[–] Cessno -1 points 8 hours ago

You really don't understand nato at all I bet

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[–] crimsonpowder 13 points 8 hours ago

Well it's hard to come back from an accusation made in bad faith like that, so the best I can assure you is that I'm reasonably educated and know how to read, using these skills to keep up with matters I'm interested in and NATO happens to be one one those ever since Russia annexed land that has my family on it.

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[–] Cessno 2 points 8 hours ago

Fair enough

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 8 hours ago

>Fair enough

"Your opinions are valid now because you're not white."

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[–] Cessno 1 point 8 hours ago

He could easily be white still dumbfuck

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 8 hours ago

You mean nearly every argument on here. The world isn't right or wrong, good or evil. No person is good or evil.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 8 hours ago

Well there are people that are bad enough to not deserve a job

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 1 point 7 hours ago

Yes, I'm sure you would make the best totalitarian to make that decision.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 7 hours ago

My dislike of totalitarians is why I oppose trump

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 0 points 7 hours ago

And yet Trump proposes more freedoms than you advocate for. If you consider Trump totalitarian, what does that make you?

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[–] Cessno 1 point 7 hours ago

What the fuck are you on? He advocates taking away tons of freedoms Like the second amendment specifically

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 0 points 7 hours ago

That's right, the man that is in the NRA's pocket is totally taking away the second amendment...

I'd ask for a source, but I'd be afraid of what tabloid a person of your... intellect would actually read.

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[–] Cessno 0 points 7 hours ago

He said this on live television https://youtu.be/yxgybgEKHHI

I used CNBC because it's the first link that just shows the interview without pundits and shit. You can find that on any news source you like

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[–] GweatFwiendInWome 0 points 6 hours ago

Show me the Executive Order, the bill he signed into law, the promise he made to ban guns. What you showed me was a minute and 22 seconds of heavily edited footage from a news site known for lying, either by commission or by omission (as was the case in the Brett Kavanaugh hearing):

https://www.cnbc.com/2018/05/03/feds-tapped-phones-of-trump-lawyer-michael-cohen-and-caught-one-call-with-white-house-nbc-news.html

https://dailycaller.com/2018/02/02/media-pins-steele-dossier-on-republicans/

https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/justice-department/new-questions-raised-about-avenatti-claims-regarding-kavanaugh-n924596

https://dailycaller.com/2018/11/12/andrea-mitchell-brenda-snipes-republican/

https://dailycaller.com/2018/07/25/fake-news-rachel-maddow-putin-trump/

https://dailycaller.com/2015/02/05/brian-williams-said-he-thought-he-was-going-to-die-during-supposed-helicopter-attack-audio/

https://dailycaller.com/2018/08/15/nbc-brian-williams-trump-dog-fake-news/

https://dailycaller.com/2018/12/13/nbc-news-bill-cassidy-misquote/

https://dailycaller.com/2018/09/28/msnbc-lawrence-odonnell-lindsey-graham-fake-news/

I'm sure I can find any sort of lie I like on any news source, especially when 9/10 are funded by one kind of Congressman or another.

Besides, the official Democrat position is that guns aren't allowed for American citizens, and they've put forward several bills with the hopes of passing them and making the Second Amendment null.

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[–] **[deleted]** **1 point** 6 hours ago

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[–] **Cessno** **0 points** 6 hours ago

Holy fuck you are deranged. The official democrat position is not at all what you said. Plus I can show you that clip from anyone else.

https://youtu.be/du4xz6Lndxk Here's fox business.

You can find it many other places but you just go right to attacking the source even though the video clearly shows trump saying that in an uncut clip.

I show you direct evidence of trump suggesting that we void the second amendment and all you do is ignore it and make shit up about democrats.

It's amazing you remember how to breathe properly

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[–] **GweatFwiendInWome** **0 points** 6 hours ago

So if I take thirty seconds of video of you quoting somebody else, do I get to claim they're your words that you spoke?

https://www.wsj.com/articles/democrats-plan-to-pursue-most-aggressive-gun-control-

legislation-in-decades-1541791440

https://www.esquire.com/news-politics/a19604852/democrats-repeal-second-amendment/

https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2018/mar/28/repeal-2nd-amendment-cry-resonates-39-percent-demo/

https://d25d2506sfb94s.cloudfront.net/cumulus_uploads/docu

82% of Democrats are in favor of banning semi-automatic weapons, and most Democrat Congressmen have introduced bills to that effect. Karen Peterson is one of the most vocal members of Congress on this issue. Give me one anti-2A bill that President Trump has written, endorsed, voted on, or signed, and then I'll agree that he needs to be stopped.

But don't forget to trip all over your anti-1A proposals.

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[–] **Cessno** **0 points** 6 hours ago

Well whatever you want man. Just keep supporting the guy that likes to circumvent rules using executive power and has expressed interest in taking guns away. I'm sure this will end well for all of us gun owners

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[–] **SumCibusRex** **1 point** 5 hours ago

... And won them.

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[–] **panascope** **6 points** 5 hours ago

>So is withdrew from the Paris Climate Agreement, one of the only international efforts to curb climate change.

I'd strongly recommend reading up more about this, the PCA was a complete waste of effort that did little more than bring people together to pat themselves on the back.

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon -3 points 5 hours ago

Is it a waste of effort to record and report CO2 emissions, then make goals and plans on how to curb them? The PCA had no teeth except in setting mutual expectations of each other to address a problem. Is this not better than doing nothing at all?

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[–] Fatkungfuu 6 points 4 hours ago

>Is this not better than doing nothing at all?

Except the US was the only country to meet the requirements of the PCA despite not signing it. Is patting yourself on the back for not doing something better than just doing something?

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[–] panascope 2 points 3 hours ago

Not having any accountability or repercussions makes it a waste, yes.

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[–] stephen89 1 point 3 hours ago

The US didn't sign, and yet we're the only country that actually made our goal of cutting emissions. Every other country has increased their emissions. I guess we didn't need to be in the agreement afterall.

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon -1 points 2 hours ago

that is very not true. Several countries have cut their emissions. Most of them are not on track to meet the goal to cut as much as they were aiming to achieve by 2020 or 2025. A few countries are on track to meet their goal, but the U.S is not one of them at least no longer one of them. We have reduced a lot but we are also like the 11th biggest producer.

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[–] stephen89 2 points 2 hours ago

The US is the ONLY one on track to meet their goal, stop spreading bullshit.

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 0 points 2 hours ago

No we aren't I mean we were before the Trump administration but we've since loosened our standards, we aren't going to meet our 2025 goal at this rate.

https://psmag.com/environment/cop24-latest-u-n-gap-report-shows-which-countries-are-falling-farthest-behind-climate

Apparently Morocco is on track along with a few others, and the UK is trying to step up its game. But the U.S isn't on track anymore.

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[–] stephen89 1 point 2 hours ago

No, I mean we literally are. We're the only ones on track. But feel free to reference whatever liberal rags you want.

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[–] NPChalmers 5 points 6 hours ago

Gosh how dare American tax money go to help Americans instead of the rest of the world /s

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon -4 points 5 hours ago

Oh a $12 billion American tax dollar bandaid for the farmers sounds great but I'm asking why should it be framed as a positive if it only covers what 10% of the farmer's losses and the entire reason the bandaid was needed in the first place is because we set tariffs on the buyers.

I asking why is it a good thing that we shot ourselves in the foot with tariffs on China? And why is it considered a good thing we are mitigating the damage to our foot with a $12 billion tax dollar bandaid for to treat damage we wouldn't otherwise be paying for had we not shot ourselves in the foot in the first place?

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[–] Fatkungfuu 3 points 4 hours ago

>we wouldn't otherwise be paying for had we not shot ourselves in the foot in the first place?

I think you need to understand the concept of "spending money to make money"

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[–] Alucard_draculA 7 points 6 hours ago

> Took action to reform National Ambient Air Quality Standards, benefitting American manufacturers

Hmm, that sounds suspiciously like a bad thing worded to sound like a good thing.

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[–] licking-windows 1 point 4 hours ago

The mark of good propaganda is you don't recognise it as such.

This is bad propaganda.

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[–] youd_be_in_jail_MAGA 0 points 3 hours ago

The real propaganda is MSM bullshit. This man just gave you over 100 good things trump has done and you're still screeching orange man bad. NPC.

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[–] johnchapel 2 points 4 hours ago

ITT: A bunch of brittle bitches who are absolutetly unhinged this list was even typed out.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 9 hours ago

https://www.reddit.com/r/The_Donald/comments/am2wxl/npcs_are_going_bonkers_over_on_askreddit_because/?st=JRM8W34C&sh=8788494c

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 14 hours ago

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[–] Birdman4Lyfe 0 points 7 hours ago

Half the items on this list are negatives. Also, this list is literally taken right from the Trump Administration, its pure propaganda.

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[–] RIPGeorgeHarrison -11 points 5 hours ago

IMO, let them have their party now, whatever happens in this thread doesn't change the fact that he is the most unpopular he has been in a year and he still doesn't have a plan for wall funding.

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[–] HardlyWorthMyTime 9 points 5 hours ago

He's literally gaining popularity over Pelosi?

I don't understand how you can be so misinformed dude.

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[–] RIPGeorgeHarrison -1 points 3 hours ago

You can get back to me when Pelosi is running for president but until then as long as the Dem presidential candidates remain more popular it's looking pretty bad for 45.

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[–] HardlyWorthMyTime 3 points 2 hours ago

Surely this is the end of drumpf!!!!

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[–] FieldMarshalFry -6 points 11 hours ago

you do remember the trade war he threatened with the EU, right? (aka the continent that invented trade wars), how he restricted the diplomatic privileges of EU representatives, and how the EU is literally ignoring his sanctions on Iran because they're stupid and a threat to international security?

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[–] MrResp3ctful 8 points 9 hours ago

Who cares?

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[–] Merrion9692 13 points 7 hours ago

He's the President of the US, not the fucking EU.

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[–] Clitorally_Retarded 6 points 6 hours ago

you can't negotiate without leverage. global politics ain't patty cake, even with allies.

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[–] TysonButterbean 1092 points 15 hours ago

Deregulation

- Achieved massive deregulation at a rapid pace, completing 22 deregulatory actions to every one regulatory action during his first year in office.
- Signed legislation to roll back costly and harmful provisions of Dodd-Frank, providing relief to credit unions, and community and regional banks.
- Federal agencies achieved more than $8 billion in lifetime net regulatory cost savings.
- Rolled back Obama's burdensome Waters of the U.S. rule.
- Used the Congressional Review Act to repeal regulations more times than in history.

Tax Cuts

- Biggest tax cuts and reforms in American history by signing the Tax Cuts and Jobs act into law
  - Provided more than $5.5 trillion in gross tax cuts, nearly 60 percent of which will go to families.
  - Increased the exemption for the death tax to help save Family Farms & Small Business.
  - Nearly doubled the standard deduction for individuals and families.
  - Enabled vast majority of American families will be able to file their taxes on a single page by claiming the standard deduction.
  - Doubled the child tax credit to help lessen the financial burden of raising a family.
  - Lowered America's corporate tax rate from the highest in the developed world to allow American businesses to compete and win.
  - Small businesses can now deduct 20 percent of their business income.
  - Cut dozens of special interest tax breaks and closed loopholes for the wealthy.
- 9 in 10 American workers are expected see an increase in their paychecks thanks to the tax cuts, according to the Treasury Department.
- More than 6 million of American workers have received wage increases, bonuses, and increased benefits thanks to tax cuts.
- Over 100 utility companies have lowered electric, gas, or water rates thanks to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.
- Ernst & Young found 89 percent of companies planned to increase worker compensation thanks to the Trump tax cuts.
- Established opportunity zones to spur investment in left behind communities.

Worker Development

- Established a National Council for the American Worker to develop a national strategy for training and retraining America's workers for high-demand industries.
- Employers have signed Trump's "Pledge to America's Workers," committing to train or retrain more than 4.2 million workers and students.
- Signed the first Perkins CTE reauthorization since 2006, authorizing more than $1 billion for states each year to fund vocational and career education programs.
- Executive order expanding apprenticeship opportunities for students and workers.

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[–] **LagiaDOS** **216 points** 9 hours ago

Yours are good posts.

Enjoy them while the mods haven't removed them.

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[–] **trumpwinslibscry** **148 points** 8 hours ago

Just the fact that they get removed should probably tell you something

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[–] **technicaltrainer** **52 points** 6 hours ago

Eh salty comment but it is true across the board on reddit. This site is heavily censored, not just with politics. Posts are removed, users are shadowbanned, and idiots are allowed to speak unfiltered as long as their nonsense aligns with the mods viewpoints.

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[–] **yehti** **9 points** 7 hours ago

Kinda makes a fella wonder.

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[–] **IamTheBlade** **-14 points** 7 hours ago

You need a hobby, /u/trumpwinslibscry.

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[–] **[deleted]** **7 points** 9 hours ago

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[–] **homicidal_bird** **1 point** 54 minutes ago

What did OP say?

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[–] **macwelsh007** **1 point** 33 minutes ago

I might be wrong but I think all these removed posts were copied from this Washington Examiner article and broken into portions. I'm not sure why they got deleted though.

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[–] **didled** **1 point** 14 minutes ago

You know why

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[–] **Okitsu** **-13 points** 5 hours ago

They're definitely spam, so there's an easy excuse to report them / remove them.

Really should be all in one comment chain, at least.

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[–] xfuzzzygames 7 points 3 hours ago

There's a character limit of 10,000 on posts, including the characters for formatting. Given the formatting (which is important to keep it easily digestible) and the sheer amount of information, breaking it up is necessary.

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[–] Okitsu -4 points 3 hours ago

Sorry for my miscommunication, I said a single comment *chain*. Like replies to your own comment.

Hasn't been removed anyways, and it's been nearly half a day. I've seen a lot of "reddit is corrupt and shitty, censorship is rampant and it's all echo chambers" lately.

Ah well, I got downvoted for not liking how a dude's massive comments took up a quarter of my page on his own with what I assume is copy-pasted every time this question comes up.

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[–] xfuzzzygames 2 points 3 hours ago

My mistake. I do actually wish it was a single comment chain too though so I could actually see everything he wrote more easily.

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[–] Okitsu -2 points 3 hours ago

Well, I'd suggest looking at it through his user page, but now I'm not so sure.

OP claimed that everyone in this thread is "going crazy" and calls us NPCs, despite the massive number of upvotes he's gotten. His history is actually rather awful.

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[–] MoreCleverThanEver 1 point an hour ago

Well he's taking about you and he isn't wrong. All his comments have been removed.

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[–] Okitsu 1 point an hour ago

Excuse me? Do you have a reason for saying that?

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[–] ledzep14 71 points 8 hours ago

Very honest question, not trying to troll or anything, Im seriously just wondering.

Why is deregulation a good thing?

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[–] coocoocthulu 187 points 7 hours ago

Not because regulation is bad; but over-regulation is worse.

Just like with driving, there are rules. Now imagine if over the years, so many rules cropped up that didn't vacate previous ones. You'd have to hire a lawyer to drive anywhere; and you'd be much less likely to change a lane or do anything that is the primary benefit of the functions of an automobile.

Deregulation doesn't mean every man for himself; it means "these rules overlap, let's get rid of the older one". it means that a rainwater pond that was dug-out 30 years ago without an inlet or outlet isn't classed as a protected wetland rendering retirement property useless. It doesn't mean we don't hold polluters accountable, or lawbreakers accountable.

It means we give people the ability to navigate without requiring a minder, or living in fear.

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[–] ledzep14 61 points 7 hours ago

Got it, thank you for the response!

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[–] Opie67 -17 points 6 hours ago

Except many of his deregulatory actions have been to benefit the fossil fuel industry. So it’s probably disingenuous to say he only got rid of the useless regulations

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[–] pegases0 12 points 3 hours ago

oh man, it must suck that the US is now energy independent

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[–] WhiteRoseL -2 points an hour ago

Fossil fuels should not be equated with energy independence, they cause global warming and eventually they will run out. It may be fine for the Boomers but eventually those of us who aren't dead will be paying for the lack of investment in renewable energy sources.

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[–] Opie67 -6 points 3 hours ago

Yet Trump still feels the need to act like Saudi Arabia’s bitch. Energy independence would be better achieved with investments in domestic renewable production.

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[–] **ghode** 6 points 6 hours ago

Excellently worded

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[–] **xfuzzzygames** 2 points 3 hours ago

I fucking love your name.

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[–] **About61Lemurs** -8 points 6 hours ago

This is disingenuous. The regulations Trump has gotten rid of have removed limits on emissions, removed preventive measures against the dumping of toxic waste, allowed insurance companies to block contraception for religious reasons, the list goes on. Many of Trump's "accomplishments" in this area directly harm the country.

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[–] **coocoocthulu** 12 points 6 hours ago

This is about deregulation. I answered a question on deregulation.

I never mentioned Trump once.

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[–] **About61Lemurs** -6 points 5 hours ago

This is a post about Trump. The comment you replied to was asking why deregulation was good, which was a direct response to a list of "good" things Trump has done, which included deregulation. Maybe pay attention?

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[–] **coocoocthulu** 13 points 4 hours ago

https://www.forbes.com/sites/williamdunkelberg/2018/03/23/why-deregulation-is-important/#7f25dbed1c18

Deregulation is an important, and often positive decision for a nation.

I don't see how it's my problem because you're all "Orange Man Bad" that you fail in the capacity of disentangling an explanation of the positives (thus, answering the question) with your personal politics.

I didn't really give a shit what your politics were before you decided to attribute something I said to being a political statement.

And since you made it "Orange Man Bad" I care even less about your overall opinion on the matter because my perception is that you won't be able to examine the effect separate from your personal... whatever.

Regulation has an ebb and flow that traditionally operates outside of political agenda. When the economy needs it, deregulation happens. When society needs it, regulation happens.

That's why a previous president lifted oil export and deep water drilling moratoriums. It was an economic decision. Just like not imposing regulations on wall street after the crash.

Maybe you should mature a little instead of immediately going divisive because you feel like winning points is all there is.

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[–] **TheFrontierzman** 8 points 2 hours ago

>Why is deregulation a good thing?

It was a general question. They gave thanks for the response because it satisfied their curiosity by answering the question as intended.

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[–] **Fatkungfuu** 7 points 4 hours ago

>allowed insurance companies to block contraception for religious reasons

OH GOD NOT THIS! Why isn't Trump forcing insurance companies to personally abort 9mo old babies? Fuck worst president ever

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[–] **About61Lemurs** 1 point 48 minutes ago

Let me translate your comment for anyone else: "I don't know what the word 'contraception' means."

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[–] **Fatkungfuu** 1 point 32 minutes ago

They can get contraception on their own dime

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[–] **Stanley_224** 68 points 7 hours ago

> Why is deregulation a good thing?

Canada for example, has recently increased regulations for natural resource projects. Bill c69 for one example, require new resource projects to be scrutinized according to "the intersection of sex and gender with other identity factors."

So in the end, only the biggest companies with biggest capital and cash and legal resources, will be able to navigate the heaviest of regulatory climates. And this also contributed to Exxon pulling out of BC recently on their $25 billion investment plan.

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[–] **ledzep14** **36 points** 7 hours ago

Got it, that makes sense. Thanks for using a real world example.

Now, question about that example: what the hell does a resource project have to do with “the intersection of sex and gender with other identity factors”

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[–] **Stanley_224** **19 points** 7 hours ago

> what the hell does a resource project have to do with “the intersection of sex and gender with other identity factors”

Well, this is due to political reasons. Some important political issues in Canada include the environment, gender equality, and recently, gender equity.

Politically, our PM Trudeau is trying to give more power to the Minister of Environment he appointed, as well as....technically providing dozens of new points for lobbying the government. We have only 40 million population really...politicians with 5-10 years political careers have to have some sort of ways to make money for retirement in that short time span. There's not a lot of money to be had in staying clean. Unfortunately.

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[–] **good_boy_reject** **13 points** 6 hours ago

> Now, question about that example: what the hell does a resource project have to do with “the intersection of sex and gender with other identity factors”

SJW's infest and ruin everything these days. Somebody needs to call an exterminator.

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[–] **Amplitude** **7 points** 6 hours ago

Buzzfeed and Huffpost even did a recent cull. That’s how bad it’s gotten.

Notice how all those laid off journalists were tweeting about how “intersectional” their workplace was?

Does that have anything to do with high quality reporting?

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[–] **TheFrontierzman** **2 points** 2 hours ago

15 Reasons Why Studying Code Is More Beneficial To A Journalist Than Drunken Hate Tweets! *#7 Will Shock You!!*

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[–] **zoolian** **2 points** 3 hours ago

> what the hell does a resource project have to do with “the intersection of sex and gender with other identity factors”

Oftentimes, regulations like that have one sole purpose: Strangle smaller businesses that aren't large enough to absorb the cost of all the people you would need to comply with such regulations. This often forces them to either go bankrupt or be bought out by the larger companies in the field.

If you want to put a tinfoil hat on for a second, you might consider something: which business in this situation would have the funds to lobby for regulations which might kill off your competitors? I can't say this is specifically the case here, but we've seen businesses in the US use this tactic. Many smaller banks in the US were forced to close their doors due to over burdensome regulations, which means the major banks stand to profit.

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[–] **trumpwinslibscry** **20 points** 8 hours ago

In short, because of competition the less a company has to give to the government the lower their product price will be and higher wages for employees.

People think companies just pocket the tax cuts, it's absurd. Some companies have 10 employees (mine), idk why people think that every company has a billionaire rubbing their hands together cackling

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[–] **ledzep14** **5 points** 7 hours ago

So deregulation makes it cheaper to do business?

And I think why so many people think that is because there a quite a few giant corporations run by greedy billionaires that want to keep money. For instance, my past company that I worked for in Seattle. We had record numbers, highest they’ve been in 2 decades, when accounting for inflation. The CEO got a $1.5 million pay raise. We got next to nothing. In fact my yearly raise was from $50k to $53k so 6% which is better than national inflation sure. But when you live in Seattle neither of those pay rates are feasible for living. It why so many people left.

Now, I’m more middle than ever these times, but I still lean right. It’s how I was raised and it just makes a bit more sense to me. But even with that, me seeing these kind of things firsthand really got on my nerves.

So seeing things like that make people bitter. Sure, they may not know what running a small business is like. My mom and my grandparents both own their own companies, and it’s a PITA. My grandparents made a lot of money off of it, sure, but it didn’t come easy. Do I wish people would speak up without being ignorant on a certain issue? Sure. But hat won’t happen, so I try my best to explain things fro meh other side as best as I can and see if they can open their minds a bit.

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[–] **ElPresidenteBlowbama** **2 points** 7 hours ago

> another redditor explained that regulation also only allows the largest of companies to continue forward.

Yeah, I was going to say that. Apple doesn't care if they have to pay another $100k a year in regulations. But your local bakery will have to reduce their employee's wages, or fire them, or just close altogether. Regulations help monopolies the most and stifle competition

and small businesses.

With that, **some** regulation is definitely needed. But it must be done right.

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[–] mustachedchaos 1 point 7 hours ago

A 6% raise is pretty good regardless of how well the company did that year. The average is around 4%. As for living in Seattle, yeah you should move somewhere cheaper regardless. It's throwing money away to live somewhere like that when you could do the same job in another state and it would effectively be a raise just from cost of living.

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[–] ledzep14 2 points 7 hours ago

Also to add to this, our main competitor there paid their project managers $75k starting. 50% higher than what we pay. We lost a shit ton of people to them for that reason alone.

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[–] mustachedchaos 2 points 7 hours ago

Ah, well them paying people under market value is a whole different story. That's when you apply somewhere else and threaten to leave without a substantial raise.

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[–] ledzep14 1 point 6 hours ago

I did, and I got that $3000 raise which equates to an extra $125 per paycheck before taxes. After it was well under $100 extra every other week. Barely made a difference when your rent is $2k a month for a shoebox. But thankfully the CEO got his raise, I couldn’t imagine how tough it must have been for him.

This is where people get bitter. Hell, I’m bitter about it. Granted I don’t want the government to swoop into a private company and force them to not do that, not saying that at all. I just wish it didn’t happen because I would trust corporations more.

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[–] mustachedchaos 2 points 6 hours ago

Sarcasm and bitterness aside you may not know how tough that was. I don't know of any CEO's with a company doing well that aren't working almost 24/7. I'm guessing this was a publicly traded company since you mentioned corporations, so the shareholders being pleased with the CEO's performance and giving them a raise isn't surprising. Giving a raise to the person running the show to keep them around and continue doing well makes sense financially. The last thing they want is a good CEO to go somewhere else or start their own company. Small-medium private companies don't worry about shareholders so they are usually more fair to employees.

It again goes back to if you are being shafted by living expenses and work can't cover it, then get out and go somewhere else. I'd have moved the next day was spending half my salary on rent for a shoebox. $2k can get you a multi-bedroom house in much of the country.

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[–] ledzep14 1 point 7 hours ago

I personally had no stake there so I left. But my one coworker lived there her entire life. It’s shitty to force people who grew up there in the area because it got so expensive and the company doesn’t pay accordingly.

I was getting paid the same amount in Seattle as someone I was in training with was getting paid who was in Springdale, Arkansas.

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[–] mustachedchaos 2 points 6 hours ago

It sucks for those who live there a long time for sure but an increase in the cost of living for the city is out of the employer's hands. They either have to move their headquarters or adapt in another way. Deregulation (and therefore less overhead) is one of the ways employers can continue to survive in that environment.

And yeah, I'm sure the salary of the person you trained with feels much better in Springdale than Seattle.

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[–] dumnem 19 points 7 hours ago

Because regulation and tape are not always a good thing, and they are always costly to implement and to maintain.

For example, prior to Trump, NN was tied to being Title II. This effectively enforced monopolies of cable companies due to collusion between them, as the startup costs due to those insane regulations was incredibly high - the difficulty of getting cable led was so much that entire companies and projects have been scrapped. You have to get every company who has worked in the area to come flag their lines. Guess what, a lot of them don't. And until they do, you can't dig. You can file a motion to get them to come out, but due to red tape it takes forever.

Bureaucracy is the epitome of inefficiency. It is the antithesis of smooth running.

The IRS costs billions upon billions per year due to overly complicated tax code. Fortunately, Trump has worked to simplify it greatly for most of America. Itemized deductions are way less valuable, the standard deduction is more valuable and more people taking it should mean less need for regulators to be in office.

It is absurd how much busywork is created within the government. Think of your average worker. How much has really changed with the government being shut down? Practically none. They still take out money. You still pay taxes. We could reduce the total workforce of the government by half and your average citizen wouldn't even notice. Most government jobs are not truly necessary. Many, many

positions are incredibly overpaid, they have salaries in the tens of thousands of dollars per year but only require you to meet once per month. Complete waste of other people's money.

Deregulation is a good thing. Less red tape means more efficiency. Means that new businesses can start up when they couldn't otherwise. A greater climate for business means a better economy.

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[–] **ledzep14 5 points** 7 hours ago

Oh definitely the government is way too big and wasting our money when it could be put to better use.

But there are some good points to regulation that can ensure safety or quality of products or things of that nature. I just hope things like that weren't taken away, you know?

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[–] **dumnem 8 points** 7 hours ago

Nah they weren't. Most of them were just cut positions.

Like "HR Diversity Oversight Officer" - shit like that is totally useless but was required in a lot of jurisdictions.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 14 points** 8 hours ago

Ramble on
And now's the time, the time is now
To sing my song
I'm going 'round the world, I got to find my girl
On my way
I've been this way ten years to the day
I gotta ramble on
I gotta find the queen of all my dreams

I ain't tellin' no lie
Mine's a tale that can't be told
My freedom I hold dear

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[–] **Goasupreme 5 points** 6 hours ago

[https://www.forbes.com/sites/chuckdevore/2018/05/07/texas-produces-five-times-the-wind-power-as-california-at-almost-half-the-price-blame-regulation/#5972e464438c] (Texas Produces Five Times The Wind Power As California At Almost Half The Price -- Blame Regulation)

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[–] **NPC544544 3 points** 5 hours ago

To add to what others have said and to rope in another topic, foreign trade.

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Some examples. He sells aquarium lights and fertilizers. Well, Canada has their own slightly different testing standards for most industries. So instead of using U.S. electrical testing and regulations they have their own. So the only companies that can sell aquarium lights in Canada are either giant corporations, or small governments that have to choose between testing in the U.S. or Canada to get their certs. Most businesses will not double their testing costs to sell to a country with a population smaller than California.

So end result, Canadians get less choices, American businesses have extra hurdles to jump and expenses to pay to enter the market, and some Canadian businesses might do a little better.

All could be removed if Canada simply used the American standards for industry testing.

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[–] **psybrnaut 3 points** 6 hours ago

Because over regulation of big industries at the federal level produces a miasma of red tape, fees, and costly code requirements that cut small companies out while wall street companies can afford to comply.

Some regulation is necessary for public safety and anti-trust, but the vacuous political class has for a few decades had nothing better to do than create never ending brigades of regulatory bodies and govt waste that just impedes the market and creates govt bloat.

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[–] **littleriddle (deleted by user) 1 point** 7 hours ago

New technology allows for

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[–] **t3hmau5 1 point** 7 hours ago

It's not blanket good or bad. Notice that there's zero detail about what was deregulated. Conservatives just had the word regulation and assume it's bad.

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** **1 point** 2 hours ago

It's not necessarily a good thing, right wingers just see government and want less of it for no real reason.

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[–] **WildBeast737** **-2 points** 7 hours ago

Because it gives more freedom in the markets. If you don't understand why freedom is necessarily a good thing, you should be very concerned.

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[–] **Stanley_224** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Watch this

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tj4wHUYvSX0

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[–] **ledzep14** **1 point** 7 hours ago

Freedom is a very good thing.....within reason.

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[–] **WildBeast737** **1 point** 7 hours ago

Yes, but what about this situation is unreasonable? It is reasonable freedom, therefore very good, yes?

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[–] **ledzep14** **1 point** 7 hours ago

I never said anything was wrong in this situation. I never once said I'm against what trump did in terms of deregulation. I asked an honest question because I was uninformed and didn't want to state my opinion on anything without being informed enough to make a solid opinion. That's it.

All I'm saying in the grand scheme of things, freedom is great. Within reason. Over regulation is bad, but no regulation is also bad. There's a happy medium and it seems like he's staying within that happy medium, at least in my mind opinion he is.

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[–] **[deleted]** **1 point** 14 hours ago

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[–] **DCSMU** **1 point** 7 hours ago

>Achieved massive deregulation at a rapid pace, completing 22 deregulatory actions to every one regulatory action during his first year in office.

RIP Net Neutrality.

Oh, yeah, and I hope that irreversible climate change doesn't politically destabilize the whole world and kill us. Enjoy that 50 C sunshine :)

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[–] **Fatkungfuu** **3 points** 4 hours ago

>RIP Net Neutrality.

Oh god you're right, the internet as we know it is going to die without that law from 2015

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[–] **xfuzzzygames** **0 points** 3 hours ago

And a poor one at that. I'm all for having some way to keep business fair on the internet, but net neutrality had an impact. It directly led to data caps and other cash grab policies from ISP's who could no longer make huge sites pay more for using more bandwidth. If the internet is a utility like electricity then ISP's will charge by usage like electricity.

I don't know about you but I'd rather pay a flat rate for access to the internet at a given speed (as the minimum) and let companies pay for higher speed. For example lets say I pay for 50 down, 10 up. I should get that 50 down, 10 up at minimum 24/7 but if Netflix wants to pay to make their content load 50% faster and I get 50 down, 10 up at bigbobsjunkemporium.biz and 75 down, 10 up at Netflix, that's fine. If Youtube wants people to be able to upload faster so they pay for us to get a 50% increase to upload speeds to their site, I'm fine with having 50 down, 15 up to Youtube but 50 down, 10 up to Vimeo. And I think that's entirely fair competitively. It's comparable to the

location of a brick and mortar store. Leasing space in the center of NYC will cost more than opening a store on the outskirts of a small town and the store in NYC will obviously be more convenient for more people.

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[–] **sotonin** -1 points 2 hours ago

Not sure where you got this. "Provided more than $5.5 trillion in gross tax cuts, nearly 60 percent of which will go to families."

I'm seeing conflicting information. https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2017/12/22/fact-check-trump-claimed-tax-bill-provides-3-2-trillion-tax-cuts-but-its-actually-less-than-half/977318001/

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[–] **ispelledthiwrong** -2 points 8 hours ago

Depends where you stand in deregulation I guess but I don't see *most* of this stuff as positive. The worker development stuff is obviously very good but the rest is a matter of opinion.

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[–] **Boomscake** -2 points 8 hours ago

yeah. some of those aren't positive.

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[–] **traffick** -2 points 6 hours ago

Delegation is not a good thing, it protects us from irresponsible greed.

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[–] **FieldMarshalFry** -17 points 11 hours ago

since when where deregulation and tax cuts good for anyone but the super rich like Trump himself? also, he is still opposed to workers right as I see no progress on unionisation

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[–] **oif3gunner** 18 points 10 hours ago

Every single person I know got a raise by the lowering of taxes. What are you talking about?

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[–] **TysonButterbean** 28 points 10 hours ago

He has no idea what he's talking about - he's simply parroting talking points he heard someone else say. 50% of the country pays no taxes so of course it doesn't help them. The 1% is so loaded they have no idea what is going on either.

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[–] **MAGA_IowaPede** 11 points 9 hours ago

Actually the tax bill increased the refundable child credit from 1k to 1400 so even if they pay no tax but have kids they benefit too.

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[–] **crimsonpowder** 11 points 8 hours ago

I dunno, I've literally seen more money in my take home and we've been shelling out less in payroll taxes which allowed us to hire several people fresh out of school at way above market salaries because they have rockstar potential in our field. We just couldn't do that before. Our business dumped money right back into the middle class.

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[–] **veryrelevantusername** 8 points 8 hours ago

Have you made *any* money in the past year? Because if you had, you would notice that your take home pay was higher than in previous years.

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[–] **FlyingVhee** 5 points 7 hours ago

People who don't work and live with their parents, spending most of their time watching leftist media telling them that things are awful. Meanwhile they have no lens to the real world to see the positive aspects of it all, so they eat up whatever they're told.

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[–] **Wrkncacnter112** -24 points 13 hours ago

The deregulation and tax cuts are mostly negative outcomes overall.

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[–] **TysonButterbean** 91 points 10 hours ago

They're negative in the sense that they help average people and make Trump look good, which are both bad outcomes for the modern Democratic Party. So in a way, you're right.

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[–] **EatMoreSoylent (deleted by user)** 3 points 9 hours ago

I did not get a raise due to the tax cuts, nor did I get a bigger refund due to the deregulation of tax law. My company however netted its biggest revenue/net profit in history, almost doubling last year. yay?? But what am I, the average person benefiting from?

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[–] ImTheRuckus 21 points 9 hours ago

Check your federal income tax, I didn't get a raise but now I pay $20 less a week now, I know it's not a lot, but it's about $1000 more a year in my pocket

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[–] SAW2TH-55th 19 points 9 hours ago

Pelosi crumbs.

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[–] GetBTFO 14 points 9 hours ago

Might want to check again. Myself and my wife both are now receiving larger paychecks every 2 weeks due to the tax cuts. As well as families will be receiving larger returns for their children.

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[–] EatMoreSoylent (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

Yeah good call, I'll just check the tax return I did 2 days ago again.

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[–] fagylalt 1 point 9 hours ago

ask for a raise maybe then? or look for a higher paying job?

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[–] EatMoreSoylent (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

lol, yes I know that, but my point is it was not an inherent thing that happened to everyone.

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[–] flymolo5 -11 points 10 hours ago

I try to think im republican but it really looks to me that the tax cuts went to rich assholes just like trump

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[–] airforcefalco 14 points 10 hours ago

Who paid more in taxes as a percentage of income than people like Bernie Sanders, who is a high tax supporter, did.

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[–] NateDawg655 3 points 8 hours ago

The dude has never released his taxes. Wat?

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[–] That_Guy704 7 points 8 hours ago

Maddow has a segment where she had certified copies of his past taxes that showed he paid a significantly higher % than Bernie and Hillary.

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[–] NateDawg655 -3 points 8 hours ago

The ones from 14 years ago? Meh. Im sure his Taxes vary greatly year to year

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[–] That_Guy704 8 points 8 hours ago

Can only comment on what was presented.

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[–] airforcefalco 7 points 8 hours ago

2005.

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[–] SAW2TH-55th 11 points 9 hours ago

I make $50k a year and am taking home more money.

What leftists fail to understand is that when you pay the most, you have the most to gain by a % tax cut. Hate the rich because they got a huge tax cut? Guess what? The top 10% richest pay 90% of the taxes collected - do you think they should be punished or something for working hard and being successful?

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[–] TacticoolPeter 46 points 11 hours ago

That extra $2k showing up on my refund at the end of this month begs to differ with the tax cuts being a negative.

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[–] TysonButterbean 33 points 10 hours ago

Russia and racism made you think that $2K was good. Fact check: It isn't.

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[–] finalaccountdown 21 points 9 hours ago

i almost downvoted you because i cant tell whats sarcasm anymore.

Poe's Internet.

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[–] SAW2TH-55th 7 points 9 hours ago

Me too.

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[–] Jackpot807 26 points 10 hours ago

Ha ha yes give me more taxes

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[–] 4_P- 20 points 12 hours ago

Not according to the people who elected him...

Deregulation and tax cuts are evergreen campaign topics for moderate and radical republicans- it's pretty much a policy core that 90% of them agree on. So yeah, they're good from that point of view...

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[–] ColorMeStunned -9 points 11 hours ago

Sure, but from the point of view of actually having a fair tax cut that won't damage their economy in the long run, they're not so good.

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[–] TysonButterbean 26 points 10 hours ago

The economy's improving, though. (?)

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[–] NeurotoxEVE 14 points 10 hours ago

Just another example of TDS.

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[–] ajfluffy 4 points 10 hours ago

war is peace, prosperity is startvation

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[–] TysonButterbean 16 points 10 hours ago

Unemployment rates are actually employment rates?

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[–] ajfluffy 4 points 10 hours ago

Ha, the number of people who argue that low unemployment of blacks now is due to racism because we are forcing them to work is staggering

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[–] ColorMeStunned 1 point 9 hours ago

I don't know why I'm getting downvoted to shit for facts, but here goes: the economy is improving by some measures (unemployment is actually up per the most recent report), but wages are stagnant, benefits are crap, and health insurance is a constant battle with employers.

This is not Trump's fault. But giving enormous tax cuts to corporations who every economist worth their salt knew would not go into the local economy or back into their own businesses, but rather to shareholders, absolutely was his fault. We are now spiraling into debt worse than ever before, with no end in sight, because these tax cuts were economically bad for our country. A few extra bucks off the average person's tax returns in the short term is a drop in the bucket against that damage.

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[–] TysonButterbean 33 points 9 hours ago

Wages would stand a better chance of rising if Democrats weren't intent on flooding the country with cheap illegal immigrant labor, who undercut American wages and make us all poorer. If you think the tax cuts are a 'drop in the bucket' (Pelosi's exact words, as you parrot them), you are likely either very fortunate like Pelosi, or you are part of the 50% of the country who does not pay taxes. $2000 is a *lot* of money to the average American, who does not have enough money in their bank account to cover a $400 emergency expense. Gas prices being low is a *huge* deal - it is money in the pocket, and essentially another big wage hike. The fact that *Democrats*, a party that people like me were affiliated with for decades because they understood things such as this, and fought for the working people, have to have this explained to them does not bode well for the party.

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[–] ColorMeStunned 1 point 9 hours ago

I don't watch the news, so the "parrot" part was unintentional, but okay.

As I said, this is nice for most Americans in the very short term. The damage to our economy from these cuts, an extra $780 billion by recent estimates, is a lot worse than the smaller cuts are good. We're talking about weather versus climate, and the climate is getting worse, even if the weather is better in the short term.

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[–] hilboggins 0 points 8 hours ago

Even with the tax cuts federal revenue is increasing year over year. Income is never the reason for debt, spending is.

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[–] Grizzled_Veteran -1 points 8 hours ago

Maybe you're not providing any facts, shit for brains. Where are the actual hard numbers? Where is the data? Where are the citations backing up what you've written above? Where is the historical context?

Any fool can speak in generalities.

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[–] crimsonpowder 12 points 8 hours ago

The tax cuts have helped us massively. We've decided to hire an extra 40 people just this year alone. We're basically re-investing into our business and the funny thing is that our total tax burden with all of this new business is going to be higher anyway. It's working out!

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[–] Extremefreak17 2 points 8 hours ago

The deregulation and tax cuts are directly responsible for the jobs numbers, low unemployment, and wage growth.

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[–] TysonButterbean 1047 points 15 hours ago

Foreign Policy

- Moved the U.S. Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem.
- Withdrew from Iran deal and immediately began the process of re-imposing sanctions that had been lifted or waived.
  - Treasury has issued sanctions targeting Iranian activities and entities, including the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps-Qods Force
  - Since enacting sanctions, Iran's crude exports have fallen off, the value of Iran's currency has plummeted, and international companies have pulled out of the country.
  - All nuclear-related sanctions will be back in full force by early November 2018.
- Historic summit with North Korean President Kim Jong-Un, bringing beginnings of peace and denuclearization to the Korean Peninsula.
  - The two leaders have exchanged letters and high-level officials from both sides have met resulting in tremendous progress.
  - North Korea has halted nuclear and missile tests.
  - Negotiated the return of the remains of missing-in-action soldiers from the Korean War.
- Imposed strong sanctions on Venezuelan dictator Nicholas Maduro and his inner circle.
- Executive order preventing those in the U.S. from carrying out certain transactions with the Venezuelan regime, including prohibiting the purchase of the regime's debt.
- Responded to the use of chemical weapons by the Syrian regime.
  - Rolled out sanctions targeting individuals and entities tied to Syria's chemical weapons program.
  - Directed strikes in April 2017 against a Syrian airfield used in a chemical weapons attack on innocent civilians.
  - Joined allies in launching airstrikes in April 2018 against targets associated with Syria's chemical weapons use.
- New Cuba policy that enhanced compliance with U.S. law and held the Cuban regime accountable for political oppression and human rights abuses.
  - Treasury and State are working to channel economic activity away from the Cuban regime, particularly the military.
- Changed the rules of engagement, empowering commanders to take the fight to ISIS.
  - ISIS has lost virtually all of its territory, more than half of which has been lost under Trump.
  - ISIS' self-proclaimed capital city, Raqqah, was liberated in October 2017.
  - All Iraqi territory had been liberated from ISIS.
- More than a dozen American hostages have been freed from captivity all of the world.
- Action to combat Russia's malign activities, including their efforts to undermine the sanctity of United States elections.
  - Expelled dozens of Russian intelligence officers from the United States and ordered the closure of the Russian consulate in Seattle, WA.
  - Banned the use of Kaspersky Labs software on government computers, due to the company's ties to Russian intelligence.
  - Imposed sanctions against five Russian entities and three individuals for enabling Russia's military and intelligence units to increase Russia's offensive cyber capabilities.
  - Sanctions against seven Russian oligarchs, and 12 companies they own or control, who profit from Russia's destabilizing activities.
  - Sanctioned 100 targets in response to Russia's occupation of Crimea and aggression in Eastern Ukraine.
  - Enhanced support for Ukraine's Armed Forces to help Ukraine better defend itself.
- Helped win U.S. bid for the 2028 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.
- Helped win U.S.-Mexico-Canada's united bid for 2026 World Cup.

Defense

- Executive order keeping the detention facilities at U.S. Naval Station Guantanamo Bay open.
- $700 billion in military funding for FY 2018 and $716 billion for FY 2019.
- Largest military pay raise in nearly a decade.
- Ordered a Nuclear Posture Review to ensure America's nuclear forces are up to date and serve as a credible deterrent.

- Released America's first fully articulated cyber strategy in 15 years.
- New strategy on national biodefense, which better prepares the nation to defend against biological threats.
- Administration has announced that it will use whatever means necessary to protect American citizens and servicemen from unjust prosecution by the International Criminal Court.
- Released an America first National Security Strategy.
- Put in motion the launch of a Space Force as a new branch of the military and relaunched the National Space Council.
- Encouraged North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies to increase defense spending to their agree-upon levels.
    - In 2017 alone, there was an increase of more than 4.8 percent in defense spending amongst NATO allies.
    - Every member state has increased defense spending.
    - Eight NATO allies will reach the 2 percent benchmark by the end of 2018 and 15 allies are on trade to do so by 2024.
    - NATO allies spent over $42 billion dollars more on defense since 2016.
- Executive order to help military spouses find employment as their families deploy domestically and abroad.

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[–] **fiddlediddy 165 points** 14 hours ago

I am the opposite of a Trump supporter, and although I would probably object to a number of those, I enjoyed reading that.

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[–] **toast_across 104 points** 6 hours ago

See, this is the great lie. That is, that you are either a Trump supporter or not. That you are either a Democrat or a Republican.

The fact is, there are things Trump has done that I like, and things that I did not like. We need to stop being so monolithic in our thinking.

>inb4 "but you only post in T_D!"

Yes, this is my T_D account

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[–] **beefsickle19 29 points** 6 hours ago

I'm the same way, some stuff I like, some stuff I don't. I'm sure all the r/politics users are going to come and call us enlightened centrists or whatever their trigger word is but the world isn't black and white like the media would lead you to believe.

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[–] **nuclearfarts99 0 points** 2 hours ago

Nah, people only do /r/ENLIGHTENEDCENTRISM when people claim "both sides are the same" or are centrist for the sake of being centrist, rather than because that's where their views fall politically.

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[–] **jonnynotsoslick 19 points** 5 hours ago

Thank you for saying this, it gives me hope that there is still some sanity left in America.

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[–] **Alien_Way 2 points** 2 hours ago

The fact that they need "a T_D account" should say something. This is my *everything* account, because for some reason people don't get furious or angry with my when I express my honest views.

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[–] **jonnynotsoslick 1 point** 2 hours ago

It speaks volumes.

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[–] **Heathen_ 0 points** an hour ago

You essentially paint yourself with a Star of David when you post in T_D. A lot of people have scripts/mods/apps that can dig thru your history and auto mark you with your own personal Star of David, and share it with other people and mark you.

Have a Star hung around your neck? Sorry but you are not welcome in our sub.

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[–] **jonnynotsoslick 1 point** 48 minutes ago

Cool, good to see anti-Semitism is still around. Thanks for that.

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[–] **Mattykinss 1 point** an hour ago

And you have to have a T_D account, or any time you're talking about your favorite TV show in a TV subreddit, people drive-by report your comment and reply that your input is invalid because you participate there.

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[–] **jonahn2000 55 points** 14 hours ago

Isn't Guantanamo a human rights disaster?

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[–] **TJ_Deckerson 43 points** 10 hours ago

Haven't heard any horror stories since Trump took office. Considering I've had sieves that leaked less than his administration did in it's early days, we'd have heard something by now.

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[–] OmgYoshiPLZ 5 points 9 hours ago

i mean, that was mostly obama holdovers...

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[–] bad-pickle 17 points 8 hours ago

It was.. during the Obama admin. Force feeding prisoners through nasal tubes was the standard to keep them alive while they were hunger striking over the torture.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guantanamo_force_feeding

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[–] Opie67 -8 points 7 hours ago

ICE is force feeding migrants that are protesting poor conditions while detained

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[–] oif3gunner 22 points 7 hours ago

*Illegal immigrants

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[–] Opie67 -3 points 7 hours ago

So is it okay or not? The person I was responding to seems to think human rights are important for terrorists. Does that not apply to migrants as well?

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[–] oif3gunner 21 points 7 hours ago

*illegal immigrants.

Fuck terrorists and frankly we should just ship the illegals back with giving them no aid at all.

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[–] Opie67 -2 points 7 hours ago

Many of the people being force fed are awaiting legal proceedings because they are requesting asylum. I don't think that makes them unworthy of humane treatment

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[–] oif3gunner 11 points 6 hours ago

I didn't say treat them inhumane. Just send them back.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 6 hours ago

You seem to be okay with the treatment as you only respond to my comments by emphasizing "illegal", as if that should make us feel less bad for them

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[–] Fatkungfuu 2 points 4 hours ago

I think you should learn to stop conflating the two because they are entirely separate issues and you're only harming your own argument.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 4 hours ago

What do you mean? We're only discussing one issue here.

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[–] oif3gunner 2 points 4 hours ago

If they didn't feed them like that, they would die. What the fuck do you want them to do!?

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[–] Opie67 1 point 3 hours ago

I didn't say don't feed them, they just need to figure out why these detainees are willing to risk dying of starvation.

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[–] oif3gunner 2 points an hour ago

Exactly, if they don't like it there, they can fuck off back to where they came from. It isn't a resort.

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[–] bad-pickle 2 points 7 hours ago

Big difference between hunger striking so you can die to make the torture end... and hunger striking over verbal abuse...

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[–] Opie67 1 point 7 hours ago

They are also protesting the lengthy detentions in general. I seriously doubt verbal abuse is the only thing making these people starve themselves for weeks and risk death

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[–] bad-pickle 7 points 6 hours ago

You do realize it is only 11 people striking, and only 6 being force fed.. right? You can't expect speedy hearings when there are up to 60 thousand people a month coming across that border.

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[–] Opie67 0 points 6 hours ago

Oh, if it's only a few then I guess we can disregard their grievances.

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[–] bad-pickle 1 point 6 hours ago

I'm not saying that, somebody should tell those guards to shut their pie holes, or fire them. They are legit grievances, but I also believe it is important to note they they are a microscopic minority, and not at all indicative of a widespread problem.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 6 hours ago

That's all that is on the record though. Like your monthly immigration point, who knows how many more there are that we don't know about?

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[–] bad-pickle 1 point 6 hours ago

Fair argument, but these people are in a detention center, being supervised. I would be the hunger strike number is fairly accurate, unless it is being manipulated for political means. The people who jump the border and don't get caught on the other hand, have zero interaction with those keeping stats.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 6 hours ago

Even if they aren't hunger striking, it's very possible that more are suffering and being threatened to keep their mouths shut, similar to what the guards in the article are doing.

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[–] bad-pickle 1 point 6 hours ago

yeah.. gonna agree it is possible.. but it would be a mistake to make up scenarios to convince yourself of what you 'want' to believe. Let's just stick to the facts as we know them.

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[–] Opie67 1 point 5 hours ago

By that logic then, only the people being counted are actually entering the country. You and I both are pretty confident that isn't true, but we still have to make up scenarios to enforce that assumption. Just saying it's not unreasonable at all to think more are suffering than we know about

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[–] bad-pickle 1 point 5 hours ago

Good argument. It's not unreasonable to think more are suffering. I agree. Have a great afternoon!

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[–] ajfluffy 16 points 10 hours ago

we will kinda need it for hillary soon tho

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[–] Dood567 -7 points 6 hours ago

I don't like Hillary nor do I think she's trustworthy, but why on Earth does everyone hate her this much even now. Like forget about her we have current political issued and people to worry about. I hope what you're saying is an exaggeration or a joke because Hillary is not that bad at all. Guantanamo isn't a joke and should be shut down for sure. It's a basic human rights shitshow that's been open this long because of "terrorists" and other shitty loopholes.

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[–] ajfluffy 15 points 6 hours ago

Because she was grossly negligent and cause immense harm to the country through that negligence. Anyone else in her situation would have been immediately in jail, but her elite status has allowed her to avoid any consequences. The two tier justice system is the real issue that causes people to hate her.

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[–] Dood567 1 point 5 hours ago

If I'm completely honest with you, I don't know everything she did or what all the details are for her hearing. What kind of immense harm did she bring to our country? I agree that she was negligent but I've always assumed nothing bad came out of it luckily

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[–] Colonel_Chestbridge1 10 points 5 hours ago

Let's start with the email scandal. She was running not only a private email account, but also a private server in her basement. Someone with her experience obviously knows this was wrong, yet she feigned ignorance. This was obviously done so she could skirt FOIA requests and investigations.

Well, China hacked her private server (since it was probably easy as hell) and had all her emails forwarded to them. Many emails she sent on the unsecure server were classified.

Then Benghazi happened. After being warned of increasing security threats at the embassy for *weeks*, Clinton/Obama decided to do nothing, and actually even pulled security. Then, four Americans died while they watched from drones and did nothing, then they both lied to Americans about what happened.

An investigation was opened, and Clinton had her emails subpoenaed. Defying this subpoena,, she even had her server wiped. Her aid that actually wiped it was even caught on reddit in an "oh-shit moment", asking other users how to wipe an email server (u/stonetear). Nothing happened.

Investigations were opened into her use of a private email. At the head of this investigation was Strzok, an extremely biased pro Hillary FBI agent. Her aides were given immunity deals in which they were allowed to destroy their devices, even after the FBI found the aides had lied to them.

Not only that, but Comey drafted an exoneration letter before even interviewing all witnesses. Strzok was even the one who changed the wording in this letter from "grossly negligent" (a criminal offense) to "extremely careless".

Let's also not forget the pay to play allegations, or the fact that they siphoned money from the Clinton foundation that was meant for Haiti relief. They even used some foundation money to pay for chelseas wedding

Can you see now why people hater her so much?

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[–] orangemanbad3 -6 points 4 hours ago

Have you ever thought about building a border wall *out* of Hillary? Because you guys can't seem to ever get over her.

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[–] Colonel_Chestbridge1 2 points 2 hours ago

I can't get over the fact that we two tiered justice system that allowed a corrupt, drunken old hag to escape justice for her crimes. Crimes which included being directly responsible for the deaths of four Americans, using her political power to run pay to play schemes, stealing from a charity, and compromising national security. Then she managed to fool useful idiots all over the country into thinking she should be in charge of the nation, with the help of the DOJ and MSM.

Username checks out.

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[–] orangemanbad3 -1 points an hour ago

Well, maybe the donald should have hired her to work in his campaign, then she'd be locked up real soon.

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[–] ajfluffy 6 points 5 hours ago

Well basically her email server had a ton of classified emails and SAP materials (for which she hadn't clearance to even have herself)

At least one foreign actor had gotten access to her server and had setup a forwarding service so that any message received was transmitted to another address as well.

During this time, china dismantled the entirety of the CIAs network of agents and assets within china... somehow...

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[–] 56565656555 10 points 9 hours ago

If you care about human rights for known terrorists, maybe.

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[–] jonahn2000 7 points 9 hours ago

Well human rights are just that--human rights. Terrorists are terrible people, but they're still human. We can't just water board and torture people into confessions. That's just my personal opinion

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[–] 56565656555 6 points 9 hours ago

That's cool, but just know you'll be the first to die when the caliphate comes

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[–] jonahn2000 1 point 9 hours ago

Whatever floats your boat.

Have a nice day

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[–] Apostatesteve 3 points 9 hours ago

Well obama has 8 years to fix it, did he no. You can't blame trump for not doing what obama didn't do.

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[–] jonahn2000 4 points 9 hours ago

Well, I honestly would've liked Trump to not re-open it. Any sort of facility meant to torture people is a no in my books. I am not trying to compare Trump to Obama or anyone else. I'm just making a statement on keeping Guantanimo open in general

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[–] Varrick2016 1 point 7 hours ago

Oh just wait until the new residents arrive hehehehe

They're gonna have names like Bush and Clinton and Obama

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[–] SquidCap -6 points 13 hours ago

>Moved the U.S. Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem.

This is, by far NOT a good thing. This is the worst decision when we think of the geopolitics in the area and that was the whole point of it: to further chaos in the region, to piss off muslims.

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[–] Aconserva3 5 points 11 hours ago

Then delete it bro

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[–] emptynothing -12 points 9 hours ago

Yep. This person is answering "what has Donald Trump done?"

It is a detail dump without analysis of what is "good", however defined.

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[–] KekistaniDiplomat 12 points 8 hours ago

"Good" is subjective.

I think the killing of TPP and reworking NAFTA as "good". It was why I supported Bernie. Many Hillary supporters would label both as "bad".

These are items Trump and his supporters mostly support. If you object to the list, repost the list and strike out what you consider objectionable and maybe someone will read that.

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[–] emptynothing -7 points 8 hours ago

Clearly "good" is subjective.

My point is that they are not offering a list in good nature. It is a giant dump no one is going to read, and defintily no one is going to critique line by line, so it bypass analysis of what is positive so rubes and condescending assholes can ignore discussion by saying shit like, ""If you object to the list, repost the list and strike out what you consider objectionable and maybe someone will read that."

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[–] KekistaniDiplomat 11 points 7 hours ago

I'll completely read it and then press you on things you struck out.

Only problem is that it's too much work for you to even copy/paste reply because you're arguing in poor faith. Which is why you're projecting your excuse for laziness back onto the people telling you to "put up or shut up".

You want to have a discussion? Fine. Let's. You want to throw a tantrum that the OP contributed more than you? Well don't cry when your transparent farce is called out.

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[–] Opie67 -2 points 7 hours ago

Read up on the term "gish gallop" and you will understand what OP is doing a little better

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[–] KekistaniDiplomat 4 points 7 hours ago

I know what a gish gallop is. This isn't a debate. There's no time limit. You're free to take as much or as little time replying as you like. The only realm in which it qualifies as a gish gallop is the one where your complete refusal to participate is the time limiting factor.

You've chosen to take 0 time, because you're not arguing merits or points. You're attacking his character rather than his information. In fact, you're not really arguing anything. Well nothing beyond "tl;dr" anyway.

I'd say something as patronizing as, "You should look up what ad hominem" is, but of course you know what that is. You've displayed with such a masterful stroke.

Feel free to contribute something... anything of value, and I'll reply without any hostility. Or keep thinking you're above all of this, and double down on such a vapid tactic.

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[–] Opie67 -1 points 7 hours ago

I've been discussing plenty with people in the thread on specifics but most of them don't want to respond. Sorry you took my comment as condescending. Sounds like an insecurity problem on your end more than anything

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[–] KekistaniDiplomat 4 points 6 hours ago

Ah, more ad hominem and dodging.

I don't pour over other's comment histories, so I'll just assume you're telling the truth about that bit, despite it being odd you won't engage with probably the only person directly asking you to.

Thanks for proving my point in as boring a way as possible, I guess.

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[–] Opie67 0 points 6 hours ago

What did you prove? You challenged me to argue the points OP made and I have been discussing in this thread plenty. Does it hurt your feelings I don't want to shift all my attention to you?

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[–] KekistaniDiplomat 2 points 5 hours ago

You just can not help yourself with the personal attacks can you, haha. I think I just feel sorry for you now.

Chin up buddy. I saw through all your projection, but I'm sure the next guy might not.

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[–] Opie67 0 points 5 hours ago

Okay you win. Orange man good

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[–] Roodyrooster 3 points 7 hours ago

Defining what is "good" or not is exactly what is wrong with most sources of information these days. He presented facts, instead of dismissing it as a detail dump use your words and dispute the parts you don't agree are good, don't wait for someone to do it for you

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 41 points 13 hours ago

How is leaving the Iran deal, which many countries were party too, a good thing? Now we just have less influence over Iran.

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[–] TJ_Deckerson 55 points 10 hours ago

Because staying in a broken deal in the hopes that they'll honor it at some point is stupid.

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[–] Acidwits 5 points 4 hours ago

But they WERE honoring it, that was the point, it was a starting point and we nuked it one administration later.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -7 points 9 hours ago

They're honoring it now.

https://www.google.com/amp/s/mobile.reuters.com/article/amp/idUSKCN1NH1SF

The other countries that were involved are staying in. Now the USA has no cards to deal. Masterful. Negotiation.

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[–] elips 10 points 8 hours ago

We were giving them ungodly amounts of money that we didn't have.

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[–] absentmindedjwc 1 point 7 hours ago

It was their money to begin with. They had billions of sanctioned money in American banks. As soon as sanctions lifted, they got their money back.

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[–] grackychan -2 points 3 hours ago

They should not be entitled to it back. Obama giving Iran $1.7 billion in cash on a Boeing 747 is the weakest America has ever looked on the world stage, it was a shameful and cowardly act. Iran sponsored terrorists that directly killed many Americans. Iran blew up the USS Cole and killed 17 U.S. Navy sailors.

The moment you become a state sponsor of terrorism you should lose all access to your U.S. assets. Period. I don't care it was their money, that is the penalty any state actor should consider before killing Americans.

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[–] absentmindedjwc 5 points 3 hours ago

>They should not be entitled to it back

Regardless of everything else you've said. International law was on their side. The second they were no longer a sanctioned country, they regained the rights to their money.

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[–] grackychan -1 points 3 hours ago

It was surely legal; I don't doubt it. It was their money. The optics of just giving it back like that on a plane in the middle of the night shows the administration wanted to keep it low key from the American public.

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[–] orangemanbad3 1 point 3 hours ago

Where are you getting the idea that Obama gave Iran $1.7 billion on a plane in the middle of the night?

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[–] grackychan 1 point 3 hours ago

It's not an idea - it's a fact that actually happened. $400 million on the first flight, $1.3 billion very soon after.

https://www.cnn.com/2016/08/03/politics/us-sends-plane-iran-400-million-cash/index.html

https://www.latimes.com/nation/politics/trailguide/la-na-trailguide-third-presidential-donald-trump-is-right-the-u-s-did-pay-1476931849-htmlstory.html

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/fact-checker/wp/2018/03/01/was-obamas-1-7-billion-cash-deal-with-iran-prohibited-by-u-s-law/?utm_term=.75f1a99e473d

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[–] orangemanbad3 1 point an hour ago

But why do you think it was a gift?

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[–] BooYeah0484 31 points 9 hours ago

The Iran deal was capitulating to Iran. Not curtailing their nuclear program in any way. It was a great idea and one that Obama seriously screwed up.

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[–] Arsenalizer -10 points 8 hours ago

Impressive. Everything you said there was false.

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[–] BooYeah0484 3 points 8 hours ago

Lol keep thinking that

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[–] Extremefreak17 19 points 8 hours ago

How does paying Iran money while they continue to violate the agreement give us "influence" over them?

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[–] reddit_oar 8 points 10 hours ago

We were paying money to Iran for non-weapons capable nuclear plants. They were working on weaponizing their supply which is why the US worked with Israel to create the Stuxnet virus which made its way into the nuclear plants and overloaded their centrifuges to break them down. Iran wasn't following terms of deal.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 13 points 10 hours ago

Yes they were. The CIA literally said this week that they are still following it.

The shit you're talking about happened BEFORE the deal

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[–] reddit_oar 6 points 10 hours ago

You are correct that my timeline was off. However part of the problem is that they still aren't acting in good faith. The agreement listed here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iran_nuclear_deal_framework

> According to details of the deal published by the U.S. government, IAEA inspectors would have **access to all of the nuclear facilities** including enrichment facilities, the supply chain that supports the nuclear program and uranium mines as well as continuous surveillance at uranium mills, centrifuge rotors and bellows production and storage facilities.

Iran refuses inspectors access to military facilities

> Iran has publicly declared that it will not allow access to military sites. **But the JCPOA makes no distinction between military and nonmilitary sites.** There are also numerous undeclared sites that have not been inspected yethttps://www.cnn.com/2017/08/30/middleeast/iran-rejects-us-nuclear-demands/index.html

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[–] FieldMarshalFry 3 points 11 hours ago

the EU is gonna keep up trade with Iran despite what the Yanks say

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 13 points 11 hours ago

Oh I'm aware. That's why I'm wondering why they're listing it as a good thing when all it did was make it seem like America's word is worthless.

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[–] vVvMaze 4 points 9 hours ago

Because the US was losing lots of money on the deal and Iran's military was being strengthened.

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[–] DCSMU -1 points 7 hours ago

Ever hear of the Trump Discount?

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[–] FieldMarshalFry -3 points 11 hours ago

I'd say it's just about time for the EU to take up that "leader of the free world" mantle....

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[–] dashnine 2 points 9 hours ago

Yeah the EU is doing great right now!

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[–] FieldMarshalFry 7 points 8 hours ago

yeah, it is, especially with all the multinationals fleeing Britain

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[–] diesel_coondog -5 points 12 hours ago

Response to the most comprehensive post on this thread:

"But but but..."

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 10 points 12 hours ago

Yeah. The response is asking for a follow up explanation. Only idiots blindly believe internet comments.

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[–] KittenMaster64 2 points 12 hours ago

Damn, you have a lot to say

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 14 hours ago

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[–] ISwallowedALego 1 point 8 hours ago

I can disagree with a lot of these but I just have question on one piece. How has he put in motion the Space Force? He commented on it once and nothing has happened on it. I also feel like this happens to a few of his other "accomplishments," he makes a statement on them and then nothing happens. E.g. Syria, privatizing air traffic control, etc

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[–] lordnecro 0 points 9 hours ago

>$700 billion in military funding for FY 2018 and $716 billion for FY 2019.

Why is this a good thing? If you want to "make America great", put that money into education.

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[–] veritas31579 -6 points 8 hours ago

Stopped reading after the first point lmao. How was moving the embassy a good thing?

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[–] CNNWillBlackmailYou 3 points 6 hours ago

Couldn't be bothered with a 2 second search, huh?

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[–] veritas31579 -2 points 6 hours ago

times of Israel.....

Yea, totally not biased.

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[–] CNNWillBlackmailYou 1 point 5 hours ago

Ignoring the people most directly impacted. Yeah, totally not an anti-semite.

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[–] veritas31579 -1 points 5 hours ago

In what way are they directly impacted and how am I being anti Semitic? Please enlighten me.

This is pure comedy.

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[–] passwordisninja 2 points 4 hours ago

Don't forget President Trump gets called "literally Hitler" even though he is one of the greatest friends to Israel that they have ever had. Being nice to the Jewish people gets him called Hitler and anti semitic. Doesn't feel very good to be called things like that does it?

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[–] CNNWillBlackmailYou 1 point a minute ago

"In what way are they directly impacted"

I just have no response to th sheer stupidity of this statement. And I respond in turn:

This is pure comedy.

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[–] ILiveInAMango -9 points 10 hours ago

> Imposed strong sanctions on Venezuelan dictator Nicholas Maduro and his inner circle.

You mean: Supported a coup in Venezuela after it had happened.

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[–] TysonButterbean 35 points 10 hours ago

If you're defending Maduro, I'm going to go out on a limb and saying mayyybe you're on the wrong side of the conversation. Trump is a dictator because he wanted a military parade, but Maduro, who is a *literal dictator* who *murders his opponents* needs defending by people who claim to be liberals.

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[–] demonicsoap 6 points 7 hours ago

Damn, you destroyed him like Maduro destroyed his economy!

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[–] SquidCap -17 points 13 hours ago

>Moved the U.S. Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem.

This is, by far NOT a good thing. This is the worst decision when we think of the geopolitics in the area and that was the whole point of it: to further chaos in the region, to piss off muslims.

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[–] philly2shoes 83 points 10 hours ago

You know nothing about what you speak you anti-semite

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[–] GetBTFO 43 points 9 hours ago

This. The entire logic being pushed here is through the emotional reasoning of "omg we cant piss off the muslims".

Have you seen Iraq since we cut them off? Their leaders at the very top are basically publicly chanting "Death to America!" while burning the US flag. Who gives a fuck if they are pissed off? If they could see the demise and destruction of the entire United States, and all of it's non-Muslim citizens, they would rejoice.

Oh, and here's a fun side note. CNN actually ran an article sympathizing with "Death to America" chants from Iran LMAO: https://www.cnn.com/2018/08/22/middleeast/tehran-response-sanctions-intl/index.html

And you wonder why Trump calls them, and most mainstream media outlets "Fake News".

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[–] philly2shoes 17 points 8 hours ago

yup

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[–] dekuhornets -7 points 9 hours ago

Wow, what a great argument! "You don't know anything, you're wrong." without actually explaining why. Not defending the other person, but this is such a shit comment.

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[–] theboywhocriedcuck 17 points 9 hours ago

The original argument being that the embassy was moved to "piss off muslims'. What an excellent argument! Disregarding the fact that it was a plan already in place for decades but past admins. were too cowardly to enact. Reads like you *are* defending the other person when you bolster their weak argument, no?

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[–] philly2shoes 5 points 8 hours ago

you think i'm going to waste my time explaining anything to someone like that? pure anti trump zombie? please

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[–] dantepicante (deleted by user) 1 point 6 hours ago

Ruh roh, somebody stumbled out of ~~r/communism~~ r/politics and can't handle it.

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[–] philly2shoes (deleted by user) 1 point 8 hours ago

Nobody asked you what you thought, sit the fuck down

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[–] fong_hofmeister 38 points 10 hours ago

I'm fine with pissing off Muslims. I don't want the United States asking itself "How will Muslims feel?" Pretty much ever.

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[–] NPC808 21 points 8 hours ago

Seriously. Fuck Islam

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[–] DukeofVermont 0 points 2 hours ago

yeah screw the 3.5 million muslims living in the US, clearly all people who follow a religion are bad and scary. Seriously people need to understand Islam is as diverse as Christianity. There have been Christian terrorists, and there are a lot of fact denying women should be man's servant fundamentalist Christians.

I know an openly gay muslim dude in the UK, just like how there are some Christian churches with openly gay priests. Just like you can find a Christian church that teaches almost literally anything, Islam is super diverse with a lot of it disagreeing with other parts of it. It's not and was never really one thing.

It's like how reddit treats every person who says their Christian as a Southern Bible thumping fool who think Dino bones are a trick of the devil, and that the Earth is 8,000 years old. Many Americans treat anyone who is muslim as a crazy women should have no rights Saudi.

There are a lot more fundamentalist bad Muslims then fundamentalist bad Christians, but no need to lump every single muslim into one group.

After all the largest Muslim nation is Indonesia, thousands of miles from the middle east, and there are more American Muslims than the entire population of Dubai.

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[–] SquidCap -19 points 9 hours ago

And this is how you will never sleep well at night. This is why you will have generational hatred among different cultures. You are a moron who does not want peace but war.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 25 points 9 hours ago

I sleep great at night. My wife is a legal immigrant from India. Islam isn't a culture, it's a terrible ideology that victimizes and enslaves women and children. The more pissed they are, the happier I am. I'm trying to figure out what would be so bad about a war on Islam.

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[–] Zazool -17 points 9 hours ago

> I'm trying to figure out what would be so bad about a war on Islam.

You are a sick fuck

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[–] fong_hofmeister 15 points 9 hours ago

Not as sick as Islam with its female slavery and child marriages.

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[–] Zazool -9 points 9 hours ago

So would you support a war on Christianity then with all the pedophilia that's coming out

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[–] fong_hofmeister 19 points 8 hours ago

I want the pedophilia to stop, and if it takes violence, I'm ok with that.

With Christianity, the pedophilia is mainly a problem in the clergy. The problems Islam has are far more widespread. Imagine Christians storming into a newspaper office and massacring people for drawing a picture of Jesus.

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[–] lalalu2009 10 points 8 hours ago

The "See christianity is just as bad!" Argument never fails to amaze me. Point me towards the Christian nation that stones people for being gay?

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[–] fong_hofmeister 6 points 8 hours ago

Yup. When cornered, they fall back to “nothing is perfect, therefore all things are equal” which is among the laziest of arguments.

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[–] NPC808 4 points 8 hours ago

And somehow they claim to be champions of LGBTQ rights? they can fuck right off with that hypocrisy

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[–] Zazool -2 points 7 hours ago

Brazil has the highest murder towards LGBT people, and they are heavily Christian.

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[–] lalalu2009 3 points 7 hours ago

https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Death_penalty_for_homosexuality don't see Brazil on the list. Heck it's not illegal to be gay in Brazil. The problem is that you wont see the statistics from something like Saudi Arabia because there it's not murder, it's state execution.

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[–] NPC808 6 points 8 hours ago

not as sick as worshipping a pedophile "god"

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[–] Zazool -5 points 8 hours ago

Said by someone who clearly doesn't understand the horrors of war.

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[–] oif3gunner 3 points 7 hours ago

Please say that to me!

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[–] Zazool 1 point 7 hours ago

So you agree with calling for war against an entire religion some people of which are your countrymen, because their figure of worship married a child.

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[–] oif3gunner 2 points 7 hours ago

It isn't just rampant pedophilia, it's that and terrorism, female genital mutilation, goat fucking, hatred for non Muslims. Let's be real here, Islam is bad, very bad.

Or you agree with all those things listed?

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[–] Zazool 1 point 7 hours ago

Answer my question first

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[–] oif3gunner 1 point 7 hours ago

No, it would be impossible. There, now answer mine.

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[–] Zazool 1 point 7 hours ago

Then I agree all those things are obviously bad, but starting a war against the religion I agree with you is also impossible.

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[–] mustachedchaos 1 point 7 hours ago

And I suppose you do Ms. Canadian?

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[–] Zazool 1 point 7 hours ago

better than you

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[–] SquidCap -18 points 9 hours ago

> The more pissed they are, the happier I am.

They are humanbeings you monster.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 22 points 9 hours ago

So? Ted Bundy was human being. Exactly what does being human have to do with being innocent of crimes against humanity?

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[–] SquidCap -4 points 9 hours ago

> Tell me you support abortion so I can really have a good laugh.

It is not a laughing matter. You are truly a monster, you ENJOY this hate.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 21 points 9 hours ago

So you do support abortion?

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[–] SquidCap 0 points 8 hours ago

Of course. I'm not insane or stupid.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 8 points 8 hours ago

So you're ok with killing innocent babies, but not guilty people. That's pretty stupid lol

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[–] SquidCap 1 point 7 hours ago

> So you're ok with killing innocent babies,

No, i'm not.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 5 points 7 hours ago

So then you don't support abortion.

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[–] SquidCap 1 point 6 hours ago

I think you have confused two concepts, mainly the difference between a fetus and a baby. Do you think fetus is a baby?

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[–] fong_hofmeister 3 points 6 hours ago

A fetus is a human life. A baby is a human life. No confusion there.

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[–] SquidCap 1 point 6 hours ago

Ah... i see the problem: you have not studied this in anyway but use some other sources of information than scientific facts.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 3 points 6 hours ago

No amount of study will justify ending human lives for reasons of convenience. Are you saying that a fetus isn't a human life?

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[–] SquidCap -1 points 6 hours ago

> No amount of study will justify ending human lives for reasons of convenience

How would you know if you haven't at least tried to read the very little what we have of it then?

> Are you saying that a fetus isn't a human life?

Fetus is not a human baby. Are you saying that any clump of cells is human life? I think i should warn you that what comes next makes pretty much every single person on earth who has had regular unprotected earth a killer. And then we go "ok, then the fetus at least has to attach itself properly" and then we start to talk about "what period of time" and once we start that.. we need to then start to make new definitions when life starts or otherwise we are in such a deep shit that we basically have to kill all of us..

Or we can use science and start thinking at what point does that fetus become alive.

So, is a fetus a human baby?

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[–] fong_hofmeister 3 points 6 hours ago

As an actual scientist, I like simple definitions. A fertilized egg is a human life, and should be treated as such. That is much more than a mere "clump of cells".

The vast majority of people getting abortions were careless about the possibility of getting pregnant. I don't really have a whole lot of sympathy for them. As a teenager, my girlfriend at the time refused to have sex without a condom. Well, guess what. We

had plenty of sex, always used condoms, and surprise....she never got pregnant! See how easy that is.

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[–] SquidCap 1 point 6 hours ago

> As an actual scientist,

lol, no you are not.

> A fertilized egg is a human life

Then we have to start monitoring all women who have sex as we flush a lot of fertilized eggs to the toilet. Every couple who tris to have a baby will then end up killing a LOT of them in the process. Most of them fail to attach to uterine wall and a LOT of them end up miscarried before the mother in question has any warnings to change her habits.

Or we hook up all women in that state to a monitoring devices 24/7 so that we don't end up murdering millions of babies.

You can't say you are scientist and totally delete the concept of fetus: you go direct from fertilized egg to human baby.

You are a troll or an idiot. But scientist you are not..

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[–] fong_hofmeister 2 points 6 hours ago

It may hurt your feelings, but I am an actual scientist. I have a physics PhD. If you can find someone who understands physics at the post graduate level, I'd be happy to demonstrate my knowledge. Do you have a PhD?

Miscarriage is not at all the same thing as abortion lol. I'm not "deleting" the concept of a fetus. I said a fetus is a human life, which it most definitely is. You can call me names, but that doesn't make your specious arguments any more valid.

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[–] SquidCap 1 point 5 hours ago

> I have a physics PhD.

So, you believe in scientific method, except when it comes to pregnancy and how we actually make babies? I thought you were 14 based on your level of knowledge on this subject.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 2 points 5 hours ago

You’re back to insults even when presented with logical arguments, and you’re calling me a 14 year old?

Nobody can dispute that a fertilized egg is a human life. As a human life, it should be treated with respect and dignity, especially considering that this human life is absolutely innocent. This is entirely separate from accidental miscarriage, obviously. Aborting a

human life because you don't feel like dealing with the consequences of your actions is wrong.

In case you aren't paying attention, a bill, which likely won't pass, was submitted in Virginia which would allow an abortion even after a woman has gone into labor. We are already far enough down this slippery slope.

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[–] **SquidCap** **1 point** 4 hours ago

> In case you aren't paying attention, a bill, which likely won't pass, was submitted in Virginia which would allow an abortion even after a woman has gone into labor.

No, it hasn't. When you have truth on your side, you don't need to lie.

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[–] **fong_hofmeister** **1 point** 3 hours ago

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.nationalreview.
abortion-bill-barbaric/amp/

Funny talk about truth from a guy with little respect for life

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[–] **SquidCap** **1 point** 3 hours ago

Yup, was not like you presented it. It is about saving lives at that point. Read the full text.

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[–] **fong_hofmeister** **1 point** 2 hours ago

That's what it says, but nobody is dying giving birth big guy. Just take the loss and move on

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[–] mustachedchaos 2 points 7 hours ago

Oh dear...

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[–] canaconn42 0 points 6 hours ago

It's official, we found the troll

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[–] fong_hofmeister 11 points 9 hours ago

Come on big guy, tell us that you support killing innocent babies but not guilty people.

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[–] WarriorMonkMode 7 points 8 hours ago

I urge you to see a doctor. You're not well.

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[–] fong_hofmeister (deleted by user) 1 point 8 hours ago

I'm doing better than the wife of a Muslim man or an aborted baby, that's for damn sure.

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[–] Do_You_Have_Phones 2 points 7 hours ago

Hitler was a human being too.

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[–] sweaterballoons 34 points 9 hours ago

Before moving the embassy - Muslims were angry

After moving the embassy - Muslims were angry

There is no appeasing them outside of taking over Israel and killing every non Muslim there.

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[–] crimsonpowder 24 points 8 hours ago

This is the first time I EVER remember in my life the NOKO dictator meeting with us and agreeing to denuclearize. How can you say we're a laughing stock and that they played time?

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[–] BooYeah0484 10 points 9 hours ago

> This is, by far NOT a good thing. This is the worst decision when we think of the geopolitics in the area and that was the whole point of it: to further chaos in the region, to piss off muslims.

Boo hoo.

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[–] Aconserva3 -9 points 11 hours ago

They're not listing good things, they're listing everything he did. Wether any of the stuff is "good" or "bad" is completely subjective. I,proved infrastructure may sound nice, but not if you wanted that money to go to healthcare or climate change prevention. Nothing Trump can do is objectively a good idea.

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[–] naynaythewonderhorse (deleted by user) -16 points 12 hours ago

Yeah, there's a lot of statements here that are probably true, but can easily be turned on their heads by saying, "Yes, But..."

Which makes me kind of sad. As someone who largely anti-Trump, I always assumed there were good things that he did/does that the anti-Trump folk don't talk about. Not that I actively ignore it, it's just hard to even be excited about good things he does on top of the bad stuff, or even really care.

BUT. I know it's almost entirely impossible for him not to have made at least one smart policy decision. Somewhere in those 2 years of presidency, he must have done something...

And yet...the most serious answers I've seen to the question allows holes to be poked in almost every statement. I've been left thinking "We get the Olympics again? Sweet!"

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[–] srentiln 14 points 11 hours ago

by far not a supporter of him either, but I have to point out you can say the same "hole-poking" thing with almost all presidential accomplishments.

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[–] Killer_Bs 2 points 11 hours ago

I would even hold off on celebrating the Olympics part. Tons of money into setting it up and typically nowhere near the same money brought back.

https://www.cfr.org/backgrounder/economics-hosting-olympic-games

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[–] LegalCurve -35 points 9 hours ago

BULLSHIT

I emplore everybody to check u/TysonButterbean profile. He is an outspoken racist, xenophobe, homophobe and T_D contributed.

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[–] TysonButterbean 40 points 9 hours ago

You post on r/politics lol. Look who's talking.

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[–] mattr50 4 points 8 hours ago

Trust me, look at his first comment if you want to laugh your ass off.

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[–] LegalCurve -25 points 8 hours ago

Yeah look who's talking. I'm well informed and knoweldgable and you race fucking lunatic spreading vile propaganda

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[–] TysonButterbean 35 points 8 hours ago

Sure you are lol. Deep breaths. Donny won't hurt you anymore.

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[–] LegalCurve -18 points 8 hours ago

He's fucked when 2020 comes around. All you red hat trump suckers are fucked.

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[–] TysonButterbean 29 points 8 hours ago

Heard that one before lol.

https://youtu.be/qjUvfZj-Fm0

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[–] LegalCurve -1 points 8 hours ago

Your a lunatic

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[–] TysonButterbean 24 points 8 hours ago

nice

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[–] littleriddle 6 points 7 hours ago

You are= you're

You should file a rape charge on the dude that raped you since you are so uncomfortable with the fact you sucked his dick and allow him to penetrate you.

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[–] nuclearcaramel 5 points 6 hours ago

Yo man . . . . nice meltdown

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[–] Justice_V_Mercy 3 points 5 hours ago

>I'm well informed and **knoweldgable**

Then why can't you spell or make contractions. Master the basics first, then try and rule the world.

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[–] BoxcutterDiplomacy 1 point 6 hours ago

You're*

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[–] tehsloth 13 points 8 hours ago

/r/drumpfisfinished 😭 😭 😭

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[–] Potsie_Ramirez 1 point 6 hours ago

Who could beat him?

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[–] TysonButterbean 35 points 9 hours ago

Wow, man. Calm down - deep deep breath. It's all gonna be ok.

r/copingwithTDS

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[–] BEERMEME 3 points 5 hours ago

Racist, Sexist, homophobic, xenophobic, employable, hard working, Christian, heterosexual, muscular, big dick, white fucking male!

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) -9 points 8 hours ago

Serious Question: I went through your post history. It looks like you live in San Francisco. Why do you live in the most liberal city in America when you're a die-hard conservative?

I can't imagine that's fun for you. You're paying out the ass to live around people that, judging by your post history, you clearly hate.

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[–] littleriddle 6 points 7 hours ago

Doxing people now. Enjoy your ban.

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) -1 points 7 hours ago

That's not doxxing. He posts in SF subs. Also the population of the bay area is 7.15 million. It's not exactly easy to filter down.

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[–] littleriddle 3 points 7 hours ago

Just narrowed it down from 7 billion to 7 million. Now they know his city and with a little more digging they can find more details. You are not the poster. You have no right to post the city the poster lives in unless you

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) 1 point 7 hours ago

You're reaching immensely. Also, anyone can see his posts. If anyone really wanted to find out who he is they don't need me. They could just go on his post history.

Not that they would get very far, because million people are a lot of people.

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[–] LegalCurve -10 points 8 hours ago

FUCK YOU

permalink reddit ceddit

[–] dr_vermhat 10 points 7 hours ago

Lol triggered

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[–] Scudstock 6 points 8 hours ago

Did you really just call "bullshit" on empiracle facts? These aren't objective truths, they are calculated mathematical truths that exist on paper and apart from your political affiliation.

And an ad hominim attack against math is a pretty stupid and childish look for you, dude.

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[–] mfreshie 5 points 7 hours ago

OH DEAR GOD T_D!! OH DEAR GOD ALL OF THE "INFORMATION" SOURCES THAT I'VE ALLOWED TO INFLUENCE MY LIFE ARE TELLING ME HE'S A RACIST SO HE *MUST* BE ORANGE MAN BAD PROPAGANDA IS JUST TRYING TO HELP ME BECAUSE ORANGE MAN BAD

that's literally how all of you look

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[–] timmy12688 5 points 8 hours ago

Non of which is an argument. You realize Hitler had a dog right? Does that mean owning a dog is bad? Dispute the arguments he gave or continue to be the reason Donald Trump won.

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[–] LegalCurve -3 points 8 hours ago

I don't argue with fucking Nazis. Ive already won.

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[–] timmy12688 7 points 8 hours ago

>I don't argue with fucking Nazis. Ive already won.

Maybe you shouldn't be fucking Nazis then?

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[–] LegalCurve -2 points 8 hours ago

That doesn't even make sense.

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[–] timmy12688 5 points 8 hours ago

Dude. You just said you fuck Nazis. I got you tagged as a "Only Fucks Nazis" now. I can't believe you would openly admit to it but well here you are. Glad you've already won.

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[–] LegalCurve -6 points 8 hours ago

Shouldn't you be fucking your sister or something?

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[–] timmy12688 4 points 8 hours ago

Ohhh so that's what this "Legal Curve" is all about! Your sister a Nazi! It all makes sense now.

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[–] MM2HkXm5EuyZNRu 2 points 4 hours ago

NPC download complete!

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[–] littleriddle 2 points 7 hours ago

I looked through your history and the OP's history and between the two of you, YOU have postings about celebrating harm on people, labeling others as trash, and pure hate comments about people with different beliefs than you. Now go delete your history and call me liar.

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[–] TysonButterbean 994 points 15 hours ago

Domestic Infrastructure

- Proposed infrastructure plan would utilize $200 billion in Federal funds to spur at least $1.5 trillion in infrastructure investment across the country.
- Executive order expediting environmental reviews and approvals for high priority infrastructure projects.
- Federal agencies have signed the One Federal Decision Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) streamlining the federal permitting process for infrastructure projects.
- Rural prosperity task force and signed an executive order to help expand broadband access in rural areas.

Health Care

- Signed an executive order to help minimize the financial burden felt by American households Signed legislation to improve the National Suicide Hotline.
- Signed the most comprehensive childhood cancer legislation ever into law, which will advance childhood cancer research and improve treatments.
- Signed Right-to-Try legislation, expanding health care options for terminally ill patients.
- Enacted changes to the Medicare 340B program, saving seniors an estimated $320 million on drugs in 2018 alone.
- FDA set a new record for generic drug approvals in 2017, saving consumers nearly $9 billion.
- Released a blueprint to drive down drug prices for American patients, leading multiple major drug companies to announce they will freeze or reverse price increases.
- Expanded short-term, limited-duration health plans.
- Let more employers to form Association Health Plans, enabling more small businesses to join together and affordably provide health insurance to their employees.
- Cut Obamacare's burdensome individual mandate penalty.
- Signed legislation repealing Obamacare's Independent Payment Advisory Board, also known as the "death panels."
- USDA invested more than $1 billion in rural health care in 2017, improving access to health care for 2.5 million people in rural communities across 41 states
- Proposed Title X rule to help ensure taxpayers do not fund the abortion industry in violation of the law.
- Reinstated and expanded the Mexico City Policy to keep foreign aid from supporting the global abortion industry.
- HHS formed a new division over protecting the rights of conscience and religious freedom.
- Overturned Obama administration's midnight regulation prohibiting states from defunding certain abortion facilities.
- Signed executive order to help ensure that religious organizations are not forced to choose between violating their religious beliefs by complying with Obamacare's contraceptive mandate or shutting their doors.

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[–] **chimneydecision** **9 points** 11 hours ago

tl;dr: "good" is highly subjective.

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[–] **TJ_Deckerson** **50 points** 10 hours ago

If this is a revelation to you, you're either 8 years old or woefully unprepared for the trials life has in store for you.

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[–] **chimneydecision** **-13 points** 6 hours ago

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[–] **NateDawg655** **-24 points** 8 hours ago

The donald is leaking.

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[–] **NPChalmers** **38 points** 6 hours ago

Good for Americans, not so good for globalist billionaires.

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[–] **ScottBlues** **1 point** 4 hours ago

Of course it is

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[–] **angelust** **-5 points** 2 hours ago

Yes let's defund abortion clinics and make it so people can't have access to birth control through their insurance. Great job Mr President.

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[–] **486921** **5 points** 11 hours ago

A lot of effort went into these posts, but no effort to source any bullet points à la /u/PoppinKREAM

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[–] **2dudesinapod** **37 points** 10 hours ago

Is it more effort to click on a source and verify it or to copy paste the bullet points above into google?

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[–] **Im_Jeff_Goldblum** **-38 points** 9 hours ago

Burden of proof falls on the person making the statement, not us

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[–] **theboywhocriedcuck** **54 points** 9 hours ago

"I can't be wrong if I don't look"

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[–] **Htowngetdown** **51 points** 9 hours ago

Not when he's making simple, easily verifiable statements

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[–] froscho 39 points 9 hours ago

Yeah lmao, if you dont believe him, look it up, then call him out if it's fake with your source proving him wrong

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[–] ChrisTheDrunkITGuy 44 points 9 hours ago

"I can't hit Ctrl C then Ctrl V, therefore you're wrong, shitlord"

God people are idiots these days. It's so easy to fact check and confirm in literally 30 seconds...

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[–] RectalJihad 22 points 8 hours ago

Bullshit. Do your own research. This is the Left's favorite response when faced with facts. "Cite your sources! Cite your sources! CITE YOUR SOURCES!!!". This is the verbal equivalent of a three year old sticking his fingers in his ears, closing his eyes and screaming "I don't hear you! I don't see you! You don't exist!!!"

Copy and paste each fact in Google, Bing or DDG yourself. The rest of us aren't here to foster Socialist behavior by doing your work for you.

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[–] UnrulyPeasant -1 points 3 hours ago

Is that how you excuse willful ignorance?

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 5 points 11 hours ago

I have /u/PoppinKream tagged as "data stud"

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[–] ChickenBaconPoutine 1 point 7 hours ago

Except she's a girl.

What's the female version of stud?

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[–] Sikkha 1 point 7 hours ago

A slapper. "Data slapper" works, right?

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[–] akai_ferret 0 points 5 hours ago

Many of PoppinKreams links bullshit, he relies on readers lazily assuming "a link means it must be true" without actually looking at them. Oftentimes he is linking opinion based editorial or articles reporting unsubstantiated claims, other times hes widely misrepresenting the content of the link.

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[–] azasinner -3 points 9 hours ago

more like PropagandaKream

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 14 hours ago

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[–] loki130 -2 points 11 hours ago

Even letting the contentious stuff slide, how much of this is stuff he was championing and how much were bills that landed on his desk and he went "sure, why not"

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[–] Dozosozo 31 points 10 hours ago

Thats every president...

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[–] loki130 -3 points 7 hours ago

Well yeah, I'm not saying they were responsible for all the bills passed in their administrations either. But a president has an influence on legislations and will work with their allies in congress to push key elements of their platform. I can believe that Trump has been working to cut healthcare programs but I don't buy that he cares much about the national suicide hotline.

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 6 points 2 hours ago

That's becasue you don't know shit about Trump other then what CNN, Slate, and Vice tell you. His older brother killed himself and he was his hero. The lost of his older brother/hero to suicide (he was a heavy alcoholic, which is why Trump never drank) was a huge blow to him and shaped many of his views on life. Like drug/alcohol abuse, the preciousness of life, and suicide.

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) -3 points 11 hours ago

This is biased af. A number of these things are about the contentious topic of abortion, and a lot more are about almost equally contentious Obamacare.

Those short term plans? They allow pre-existing conditions. Calling things "death panels" is straight up a republican talking point.

Also, proposed? Getting up and saying something on TV means jack shit. That applies to Trump when he's talking about infrastructure or Obama when he's talking about community colleges.

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[–] TJ_Deckerson 18 points 10 hours ago

> Calling things "death panels" is straight up a republican talking point.

Charlie Gard would say hi, but the UK government decided his family couldn't spend their own money to try and get him an experimental treatment.

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

So do you genuinely not understand that the us and uk are two different counties with two different healthcare systems created by two different laws, or are you just being facetious?

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[–] _Wave_Function_ 11 points 8 hours ago

You clearly weren't paying attention during the Obamacare debates. The UK has death panels, similar to what was going to be implemented under Obamacare. Obama and the rest of the Left said "NO! The UK doesn't have death panels and neither will we when we copy their system!" And this user here is pointing out that they do have death panels and we would get there eventually too if Obamacare was left in place.

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) 2 points 7 hours ago

You're clearly fucking delusional. What happened in the UK wouldn't have happened in the USA. Especially considering we have a private insurance system.

Oh, and the baby was completely braindead.

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[–] _Wave_Function_ 6 points 6 hours ago

They have private insurance in the UK too and there was debate as too weather the baby was brain dead. The UK death panels didn't want to participate in an experimental treatment which had a small chance of working.

These same panels were used by the Left as an example of what they desire too be implemented in a single payer system in the US. You can't say it would never happen when Obama and his party were literally advocating for these exact panels. Saying "it could never happen in the US" as an argument is exactly how it can be enabled to happen in the US.

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) 1 point 6 hours ago

The whole thing got started when the doctors determined that the baby was brain dead.

That was the whole argument the court case centered around

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[–] ChetBenning -6 points 9 hours ago

That wasn't a death panel in the sense of insurance companies determining who gets treatment and who doesn't based on funding.

That was a health system (and courts) stating that the NHS can't be party to an experiment that has little evidence of working and would mean suffering for the patient.

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[–] Retbann 6 points 4 hours ago

Because death is better than suffering. Your mental gymnastics is amazing, I dare you to tell his parents he deserved to die because he shouldn't "suffer".

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[–] ChetBenning 0 points 3 hours ago

I don't agree with the courts decision 100%, I was pointing out that the talking point of death panels in American politics has very little overlap with Charlie's case. His case was about what was in his best interests for quality of life; death panels were communicated as the government rationing health care based on cost and odds of survival. Cost was not the basis of Charlie's case.

It's disturbing how much intention you assumed from what I tried to craft as a neutral statement.

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[–] DCSMU -5 points 7 hours ago

>Proposed infrastructure plan would utilize $200 billion in Federal funds to spur at least $1.5 trillion in infrastructure investment across the country.

I'm not holding my breath either.

I didn't want to down vote this stuff at first, as I feel this has spurred some good debate, but these are just starting to get obnoxious.

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[–] hateful_mongoose (deleted by user) 0 points 7 hours ago

Also it's clear they're brigading. I guess you can't expect much from someone who refers to a supreme Court Justice as "Ruth Gaylord Bingbong"

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[–] Aconserva3 -7 points 11 hours ago

What the frick don't actually answer! deleat!

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[–] Mrgonefor20years 1 point 10 hours ago

Fascism

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[–] Aconserva3 3 points 10 hours ago

Frick Anus Shit Crikey Iran Se tonight M.O.M

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes -9 points 11 hours ago

> Signed executive order to help ensure that religious organizations are not forced to choose between violating their religious beliefs by complying with Obamacare's contraceptive mandate or shutting their doors.

Yeah I can't wait for my employer to insert themselves into my uterus against my will. That sounds like true freedom!

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[–] Deeper_Into_Madness 27 points 10 hours ago

What does your "freedom" have to with something you may or may not receive as a *benefit*?

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[–] goetzjam2 -12 points 9 hours ago

When health care is tied to employer benefits, its basically part of your salary and when your employer can choose to not cover something then you are losing at least part of the benefit then you don't have any control over the situation.

No control doesn't sound like freedom to me.

Sure you can choose to not work for a Church or an organization that is allowed these sort of exceptions, but at the same time it sort of enables the organizations to manipulate either the person or the slot to either go to a male (that wouldn't have the issue to begin with) or manipulate the female into paying for it on their own.

IMO, its clear here that the church has far too much power in terms of lobbying and ideals that it has swayed public opinion into thinking it is a good thing for an organization to be allowed to explicitly prohibit what no other employer is able to do. How would you feel if your employer dictated how often you could have sex or something along those lines? It goes far beyond the scope of beliefs and goes into someones personal life.

If Church's want to behave like this, then at least they should be taxed on non community improving activities, but if they were they would be more like businesses and as a result wouldn't get special treatment, like being able to interfere with someones health and personal life.

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[–] littleirishmaid 21 points 8 hours ago

Change jobs.

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[–] goetzjam2 -7 points 8 hours ago

But that sets a terrible precedent, what if your employers personal beliefs are the same but they aren't a church, do they also get to in the future decide whether or not to pay for something that is a personal matter?

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[–] littleirishmaid 9 points 8 hours ago

I receive no extra benefits from being employed at my job. No healthcare, no vacation pay, no holidays.

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[–] iownacat 12 points 8 hours ago

Then work somewhere else, this is not complicated.

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[–] goetzjam2 -17 points 8 hours ago

That honestly is such a stupid fucking argument.

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[–] iownacat 14 points 8 hours ago

I suppose personal responsibility and good decision making isn't your cup of tea...

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[–] goetzjam2 -2 points 8 hours ago

What the fuck are you even talking about? Health insurance is part of the benefits that is provided by your employer, as en employer being able to refuse to pay part because you disagree with it based on your religion shouldn't be a thing at all.

That puts us one step closer to it being allowed for all organizations, not just religious ones. While I obviously choose to not work for a Church, its not about that, its about the fact that this is even an option for businesses to interfere with a personal affair.

Again, your employer doesn't dictate your personal life or how often you have sex, so why should a church be able to? Especially given how various forms of birth control have proven to help regulate or improve the QOL for at least some women.

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[–] **iownacat 11 points** 8 hours ago

An employer offers you a job with a compensation package, you are then free to accept or deny that compensation. This is not complicated, it just requires you to exercise some personal responsibility.

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[–] **goetzjam2 3 points** 8 hours ago

Why are you ignoring my points about being able to influence your benefits based on their religion.

Can't you see how this sets a terrible precedent?

Guess not because you are a right wing religious fucking nut.

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[–] **iownacat 6 points** 7 hours ago

Im actually an atheist and not right wing. But I believe in freedom, something you obviously do not.

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[–] **goetzjam2 1 point** 7 hours ago

Freedom to deny someone a benefit that the majority of other places cover?

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[–] **Grokky_ED 4 points** 6 hours ago

Call it freedom of not providing optional benefits

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[–] **iownacat 2 points** an hour ago

They are not *denying* anything, they are *offering* all that other stuff if you choose to work for them.

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[–] **Hutch06Aero 2 points** 5 hours ago

Yeah. You aren't being forced to work anywhere. Find a job with competitive benefits. You don't get to dictate what business owners do with their business.

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[–] **goetzjam2 2 points** 5 hours ago

To the contrary we do. Larger businesses are required (unless they abuse loop holes) to provide health insurance benefits to employees in most cases. So people should stop acting like benefits like insurance are businesses gifts to employees, its mandiated and should cover something as simple as birth control.

If you want to say it shouldn't cover abortion, then its a bit more extreme and I can see arguments for that, however, birth control is used for more then just preventing pregnancy. And its fucking ironic that dumbass republicans are prolife, but against birth control, if only there was something out there that helped people that shouldn't or don't want kids to prevent it at a 99% rate.

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[–] **Hutch06Aero 2 points** 3 hours ago

Nobody is acting like benefits are a gift. Believe it or not, we pay for them. If a company with 4,000 employees now has to cover birth control for half of them, they are going to need extra money to do that. This means less money for new hires, raises, investment in capital, dividends, or higher healthcare premiums for everybody else.

Birth control isn't that expensive. Many companies do cover it, but that doesn't give you the right to force somebody to cover it if they don't want to.

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[–] **Deeper_Into_Madness 3 points** 8 hours ago

> you are a right wing religious fucking nut

This is how you can tell someone has run out of ideas and has lost an argument. They start name calling.

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[–] **goetzjam2 2 points** 8 hours ago

All while he ignores my fucking questions, seems like you too are too ignorant to respond to the question at hand.

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[–] iownacat 8 points 7 hours ago

I never ignored your question. I said you are free to accept or deny any job offer. Nobody owes you a job, and you are not required to accept any position. If the benefits offered are not acceptable, walk away. How difficult is this for your brain to comprehend?

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[–] goetzjam2 2 points 7 hours ago

This wasn't something that was always the case, so at one point in time people were hired, got the benefit and then now organizations have the option to refuse that same benefit that other organizations are not allowed to. Churches should be treated like regular businesses and even taxed as such.

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[–] Deeper_Into_Madness 7 points 7 hours ago

You apparently are very steadfast in the idea that because YOU think that YOU are entitled to something, OTHERS must sacrifice their own beliefs/time/money, etc. to provide it to you. Yours is a very selfish, immoral, and frankly, childish world view. As the other poster said, if an employer doesn't offer the kind of healthcare you want, buy your own damned healthcare or find another employer. NOTHING is owed to you in this regard.

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[–] goetzjam2 2 points 7 hours ago

Or, just a crazy idea, you don't allow organizations to dictate into an individuals personal life or sex life.

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[–] Deeper_Into_Madness 7 points 7 hours ago

Against my better judgement, I gotta ask...

HOW, exactly, is an employer excluding birth control from their *optional* benefits plan in any way an act of them dictating someone's personal or sex life?

I can't wait to read what will surely be your logical and well thought out reply to this.

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[–] goetzjam2 1 point 7 hours ago

Just think about your question, it literally has the answer in it.

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[–] Hutch06Aero 0 points 5 hours ago

Grow up and pay for your own shit.

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[–] goetzjam2 2 points 5 hours ago

So fucking stupid, do you pay for your own health insurance all by yourself or do you get help from your employer?

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[–] Hutch06Aero 2 points 4 hours ago

I get help from my employer, but I'm not demanding that they pay for condoms or cosmetic surgery. Ontario's healthcare doesn't even cover birth control.

You don't have the right to force other people to pay for your problems. Different employers offer different types and levels of coverage. If you don't like what they offer work somewhere else.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 37 minutes ago

Condoms and cosmetic surgery aren't like the pill.

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 1 point 2 hours ago

An employer can base your benefits on whatever they want...

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[–] IndoctrinateMePlease 3 points an hour ago

If freedom is so important to you why haven't you taken the time to contemplate your employers freedom. Them not paying for your birth control sounds more like freedom than you forcing them to pay for it wouldn't you say?

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[–] timmy12688 (deleted by user) 1 point 8 hours ago

> Sure you can choose to not work for a Church or an organization that is allowed these sort of exceptions

>That sounds like true freedom!

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[–] Dan_Backslide 9 points 3 hours ago

>Yeah I can't wait for my employer to insert themselves into my uterus against my will. That sounds like true freedom!

The simple solution is don't demand your employer pay for anything to do with it. I'm pro choice but the attitude of "I want you to pay for this, but it's none of your business" has always struck me as really weird.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 46 minutes ago

Seriously? It's medicine and it should be covered by my insurance. Just like Viagra.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 9 points 10 hours ago

> Yeah I can't wait for my employer to insert themselves into my uterus against my will.

Or maybe, try being a responsible adult and use protection. Then you simply won't have to worry about it.

I find it sad that we have to teach women not to murder their babies or throw them into dumpsters.

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[–] Blu2bonnie 6 points 8 hours ago

You realize that Birth Control is used for other issues besides preventing unwanted pregnancies, right?

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[–] stormy_does_anal 0 points 8 hours ago

Are you suggesting that I should also have to pay for your cyst or acne treatment?

How about you pay for your own shit instead.

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[–] Blu2bonnie 3 points 7 hours ago

Are you suggesting that your understanding of female related medical issues and Birth Control is so lacking that cysts and acne is the only other use for BC you could think of?

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[–] stormy_does_anal -6 points 7 hours ago

Damn you lefties really are dumb. NO! I'm suggesting you pay for your own shit.

Stop trying to get me to pay for your problems asshole. Be a responsible human being for once in your life and stop depending on everyone else!

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[–] Blu2bonnie 3 points 7 hours ago

I am in fact left handed! Good job for figuring it out!

I never suggested you pay for my problems. That's been all you assuming that you are. The only thing I "demanded" was you to get an education on a medicine you seem pretty uneducated about. Your ignorance is loud and clear.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 2 points 7 hours ago

> get an education on a medicine you seem pretty uneducated about

I could give a fuck what you or anyone else uses it for. If I ever decide I need a run down on a medication I'll ask my oldest who's an MD or his wife who's a pharmacist, not some random redditor. All I want is for you to act like a grown up and be responsible for yourself.

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[–] charkid3 1 point 5 hours ago

lmao what does your MD kid or wife have anything to do with what you were talking about. Classic change the topic once you are backed into a corner.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 42 minutes ago

I expect our collective insurance to cover all medications. It's not a hard concept to understand.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 39 minutes ago

> Or maybe, try being a responsible adult and use protection. Then you simply won't have to worry about it.

I'm literally talking about birth control, you idiot. Trump made it much easier for companies to refuse to cover birth control.

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[–] llamallama-dingdong 1 point 7 hours ago

-- Signed executive order to help ensure that religious organizations are not forced to choose between violating their religious beliefs by complying with Obamacare's contraceptive mandate or shutting their doors.

What the hell do you think contraceptives are?

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[–] stormy_does_anal 3 points 7 hours ago

I know what contraceptives are and the many various forms they come in.

Nobody should have to provide those to you weather it's against their religious beliefs or not. That shouldn't be the governments job.

You should be responsible for your own self and stop asking others to pay for it. If you want to go fuck around then the responsibility that comes with those actions is on YOU not ME.

I'm also saying that instead of demanding that the government give you permission to murder your baby because you're an irresponsible asshole that maybe you should get your own protection, pay for it yourself and then you won't need to worry if the government says you can murder babies or not.

Also, that we still need to teach women not to throw their babies in dumpsters, just in case you missed that part.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 40 minutes ago

It's called health insurance, dumbfuck. The entire point of it is to pool risks and costs.

Fun fact: It is cheaper for insurance companies to give away birth control than it is to cover one pregnancy and birth. From an economic standpoint, you should be DEMANDING your insurer cover birth control.

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[–] politicusmaximus 8 points 9 hours ago

Not providing you with SOME of the available pills to terminate a pregnancy with the healthcare they are paying for on your behalf is inserting themselves in your uterus.

Can you just step back for a second and think about how mindblowingly contorting your statement is? Seriously. Think about how your ideology has led you to this line of reasoning.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 44 minutes ago

Insurance should cover medicine. Birth control is medicine, therefore insurance should cover it.

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[–] TJ_Deckerson 5 points 10 hours ago

Why would your company want you to get pregnant? Do you realize how much money is lost when staff get pregnant and go on leave to take care of their baby? You should be happy they aren't dosing the coffee with birth control.

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[–] Reign_of_Kronos 1 point 4 hours ago

companies don't like paying people either but here we are.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 43 minutes ago

You do realize I'm talking about birth control, right?

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[–] DeportCommunists 4 points 9 hours ago

Just make sure your employer is a fellow baby murder aficionado

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 45 minutes ago

Birth control doesn't murder babies, dumbfuck.

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 2 points 2 hours ago

They're not inserting themselves? If anything they re removing themselves. You can feel free to go get your own.

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 47 minutes ago

Funny how it's medicine for women that is the problem. Viagra or Cialis? No worries!

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 1 point 36 minutes ago

Good point, let's cut those too

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[–] Mrgonefor20years 0 points 10 hours ago

Is,...is that something that happened at work by a company? Ever?

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 35 minutes ago

Yes. Hobby Lobby sued so they wouldn't have to include birth control in the list of medications their insurance plan will cover.

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[–] bobdaniels1818 -1 points 8 hours ago

Buy your birth control yourself if you wanna be a slut

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[–] Damn_Dog_Inappropes 1 point 45 minutes ago

Did you hear that, ladies? Only sluts use birth control!

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[–] bobdaniels1818 1 point 43 minutes ago

Only sluts demand other people pay for their contraception and fund the murder of their offspring that result from their whoring around

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[–] Bunktavious -9 points 8 hours ago

"the abortion industry"

sigh...

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[–] Bee_Hummingbird -12 points 11 hours ago

How is allowing a state to defund abortion facilities a good thing for the general public? Newsflash, it isn't.

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[–] TJ_Deckerson 34 points 10 hours ago

How are abortion facilities about to donate as much as they do politically? For an industry that allegedly lives or dies on public funding they really throw a lot of cash around.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 23 points 9 hours ago

There is nothing good about helping to make the industry of killing babies more wealthy. There are many people who want kids but can’t have them. Instead of killing a child, adding another bad decision to would-be mother’s list, how about giving that life to some actual responsible people.

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[–] emporercrunch 2 points 7 hours ago

There are plenty of children available for foster care and adoption, we don't have a shortage of babies, are you insane?

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[–] fong_hofmeister 15 points 7 hours ago

There are so few 13 year olds giving birth from rapes that it almost doesn’t matter. I don’t want legislation for the rest of us based on extreme outliers.

Anyway, using an argument like “there are plenty of children available” to justify abortion is some amazing mental gymnastics. The idea that unwanted or unneeded people can be legally killed off is something that, with your obviously limited intellect, you have not devoted any time to thinking about.

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[–] emporercrunch -10 points 7 hours ago

>There are so few 13 year olds giving birth from rapes that it almost doesn’t matter.

Repe is more common than you think, our President is a sexual assaulter himself and supported and continues to support pedophile.

I'm not justifying abortion such pointing out your reason are extremely moronic.

If really cared about abortions you'd fund abortions and planned parenthood, history has shown with good health care availability that abortions rates go down. If you want the baby murder rate to increase vote Republican, I guarantee you it will go up.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 11 points 7 hours ago

ok then, give me some stats on 13 year old rape pregnancies. Nice **#OrangeManBad** touch there. Really helps your credibility lol

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[–] **emporercrunch -2 points** 7 hours ago

13 year old rape victims aren't the only legitimate reason for an abortion.

No woman should be forced to have a rape baby.

No women be forced to have a baby that will endanger her life.

https://www.rainn.org/statistics/victims-sexual-violence

Abortion is legal, if you want to take away someone's legal rights lets start with confiscating guns first, as Trump proposed.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRauXXz6t0Y

TreasonIsMaga

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[–] **fong_hofmeister 11 points** 7 hours ago

I'll be happy to take rape babies on a case by case basis as far as abortion goes. Your article gives exactly zero evidence of 13 year olds having rape babies. Women's lives are absolutely not in danger from having a baby. If a woman doesn't want to be pregnant, perhaps she shouldn't be having unprotected sex. Ever consider that?

Anyway, the right to bear arms is guaranteed in the constitution, along with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Sadly, there is nothing in the constitution about the right to kill babies.

Treason is MAGA? That doesn't really make any sense lol

#LetTheTendiesHitTheFloor

#HeWillNutInsideUs

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[–] **emporercrunch -2 points** 7 hours ago

>Women's lives are absolutely not in danger from having a baby

Oh Jesus, I'm talking to a literal 12 year old who doesn't know basic biology. Have fun playing FortNite or whatever, get back to me after you actually start working for a living.

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[–] **emporercrunch 5 points** 7 hours ago

https://www.npr.org/2017/05/12/528098789/u-s-has-the-worst-rate-of-maternal-deaths-in-the-developed-world

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[–] **fong_hofmeister 4 points** 7 hours ago

Provide proof of women dying in labor lol. I'm much more educated than you are btw.

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[–] **IamTheBlade -6 points** 7 hours ago

And you just lost all of yours with #OrangeManBad.

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[–] **fong_hofmeister 3 points** 7 hours ago

You're the blade, huh? Seems like you need some sharpening lol

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[–] **IamTheBlade -6 points** 6 hours ago

You're spare parts, aren't ya?

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[–] **fong_hofmeister 3 points** 6 hours ago

Another stinging retort!

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[–] **Jackpot807 18 points** 11 hours ago

Most republicans besides the fucking Baptists are Okay with abortion, even if it is against their ethics. But it's for that reason that they don't want to pay for it with their taxes

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[–] **froscho 14 points** 9 hours ago

Yeah, they can do what they want. But like dont make everyone pay for your abortions. Not tryna pay taxes for some cunt that didnt use a condom.

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[–] **RacerX1994 -12 points** 9 hours ago

You had me until you called a women a cunt. Do people like you actually think you are helping your stance?

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[–] Jackpot807 21 points 9 hours ago

If a woman came up to me, backed by two big state troopers and demanded that I give her money for an abortion I'm going to think she's a cunt

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[–] emporercrunch -6 points 7 hours ago

Don't worry, no woman is ever going to ever come up to you.

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[–] Jackpot807 13 points 7 hours ago

Haha, nice! I suddenly want to fund abortions now!

Yea, I can tell you're one of the reasons why Trump got elected

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[–] emporercrunch -2 points 7 hours ago

I was going to vote Trump but your comment hurt my feelings and now I'm not. People like you are why the Midterms were a huge win for Democrats.

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[–] Jackpot807 8 points 7 hours ago

Yea, I'm sure your feelings matter to you most.

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[–] Freedomeofchoice 3 points 3 hours ago

The midterms were NOT a huge win ,they only gained around 30 seats, not the normal 70+, and they lost 2 Senate seats. Facts matter, emotions are for lazy people who don't want to learn facts.

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[–] emporercrunch 1 point 3 hours ago

>they only gained around 30 seats >Facts matter, emotions are for lazy people who don't want to learn facts.

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Facts do matter. 41 seats flippedYes, nothing to see, historic wins in Republican strongholds held by the right for decades, 41 seats flipped.

https://www.axios.com/full-list-2018-midterm-election-seats-flipped-34d99826-0929-41c6-a1f0-e4d02861c835.html

>Democrats won House midterms by largest margin since Watergate scandal

https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2018/11/21/democrats-won-house-midterms-largest-margin-since-watergate/2084052002/

Please apologize for spreading FAKE NEWS and lying.

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[–] VTechHokie 5 points 8 hours ago

I didn't know women were the ones that wore condoms. I can't keep up with all the gender stuff these days though so thats probably why I'm confused.

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[–] froscho (deleted by user) -1 points 8 hours ago

Anyone can be a cunt dumbshit

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[–] RacerX1994 0 points 8 hours ago

Anyone can insult people but when people are trying to have nuanced serious discussion you lose all credibility when you talk like that. Grow up

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[–] LostSoulfly 3 points 2 hours ago

I just don't want to pay for people to get them with my taxes. If someone wants an abortion, they should pay for it out of their own pocket. I think there should be an upper limit on the fetus' age to be aborted, but I don't think abortions should be banned altogether. I'm probably in the minority as far as Trump supporters go, though.

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[–] cH21FCpkOoqGACUfjLt1 1 point 10 hours ago

Fewer babies killed.

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[–] Larein -7 points 9 hours ago
More women will die.
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[–] Freedomeofchoice 7 points 3 hours ago
oh please give it a rest. No one dies , they are inconvenienced, so decide murder is good. And now, thank to NY, all the way to birth! And press ridiculed Trump for saying that, he knew what was coning up in NY.
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[–] sooshi -17 points 11 hours ago
People will just upvote a well-formatted list without actually reading it
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[–] RumAndGames -9 points 11 hours ago
Yeah I mean, there's nothing objective about this, it's just bulleted.
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[–] TysonButterbean 26 points 10 hours ago
Meanwhile neither of you offer anything at all.
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[–] RumAndGames -11 points 10 hours ago
Hi, welcome to adult discussions. I don't have to create my own ridiculous, misleading copypasta to point out that yours is stupid.
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[–] Roodyrooster 2 points 7 hours ago
I've never seen a pair of adults use the word "copypasta" when discussing anything. You aren't being very welcoming either. Is anything you say valid?
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[–] Ozarx -19 points 11 hours ago
It is if you're a fuckbag idealog narcissist
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[–] TastyBrainMeats 6 points 10 hours ago
I think you meant "ideologue"?
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[–] Ozarx 1 point 10 hours ago
Thanks, changed it. Am stupid
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[–] TysonButterbean 13 points 10 hours ago
We already knew that lol.
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[–] Ozarx 1 point 10 hours ago
Congratulations!
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[–] TastyBrainMeats 1 point 10 hours ago
No worries man!
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[–] gordito_delgado -14 points 10 hours ago
Most of these things are freaking terrible.
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[–] RumAndGames -15 points 11 hours ago
> > Cut Obamacare's burdensome individual mandate penalty.

Lol, posting a long list doesn't make this any less of an opinion piece.
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[–] FieldMarshalFry -24 points 11 hours ago
health care? you fucking colonials still have worse health care than Cuba! you can fuck right off with that apologist rhetoric
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[–] TysonButterbean 30 points 11 hours ago
r/copingwithtds
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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **898 points** 9 hours ago

He allowed my family and I into America from Belarus. We weren't allowed in under the previous American adminstration. I can't honestly say if Trump's particular policies had anything to do with it. But something in the American government immigration system changed which then allowed us to immigrant. My father handled all the paperwork so I'm not up in the specifics.

I know nothing about Trump or the American government.

I only know that I'm happy to now live in a free country and whatever changed under Trump to allow this to happen is a blessing for my family.

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[–] **littleirishmaid** **346 points** 9 hours ago

Welcome to America!

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **196 points** 9 hours ago

Thank you! It's great!! I'm living in Denver, Colorado and I'm loving every minute of it!!!

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[–] **bluescarab9** **58 points** 7 hours ago

Welcome to Colorado! Hope the weather isn't treating you too bad

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **86 points** 6 hours ago

I love the weather and the mountains. This is America as how I imagined it to be.

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[–] **Nyrradrolyat13** **15 points** 6 hours ago

You're gonna make me cry. What's your favorite thing about belarious?

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **9 points** 3 hours ago

The food. I'll miss the food.

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[–] **JesusLeftNut** **7 points** 2 hours ago

You'll never stop missing it, from one immigrant to another. If you're lucky you can get things shipped in, but trust me, the quicker you forget it and embrace an American way of life, the better it'll be. Good luck, and enjoy your stay :) Hmu if you ever have ANY questions

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[–] **fudwrecker** **4 points** an hour ago

Save your money and live the American dream. Open a restaurant that serves the food you love and let us all experience it as well. Hard work in United States and you can almost make anything happen.

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[–] **Screamingfox** **3 points** 2 hours ago

Welcome to America! Colorado is one of the most beautiful states I've been to, stay warm!

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[–] **djm504** **-4 points** 5 hours ago

What's up with Colorado Springs?

Just watched Blackkklansman and that shit's crazy. Is it still that bad?

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[–] **JeepersCreepers00** **8 points** 8 hours ago

you smoking weed?

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **22 points** 8 hours ago

Nope. Not into it.

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[–] **JeepersCreepers00** **15 points** 8 hours ago

That's fine, I respect it

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[–] **tarverine** **23 points** 7 hours ago

This interaction cracked me the hell up

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[–] **Pencilowner** **9 points** 6 hours ago

When you see an opportunity to get high and talk about immigration from Belarus you must strike while the iron is hot.

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[–] JeepersCreepers00 2 points 5 hours ago

thank

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[–] OldNorthSiteMike 1 point 3 hours ago

"Understandable, have a nice day"

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[–] tdavis25 3 points 5 hours ago

Welcome to America! While Im sure youve done many of the more touristy things like RMNP, Garden of the Gods, and stuff along I70, dont forget that there are hidden gems along the front range too. We have a great state park system in addition to lots of national parks and the state ones get overlooked alot. In particular Barr Lake is pretty awesome, especially this time of year. They have something like 12 pairs of bald eagles roosting there for the winter.

Also, if you want the "country fair" feel, the peach festival in Grand Junction is pretty awesome. Be sure to stop at a random roadsite fruit stand for some free roast corn and peaches the size of a grapefruit.

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 1 point 3 hours ago

Thank you for the tips. I have not had a chance to see much yet because we are still settling in. But my father just bought the family a car and in the spring were going to be Colorado tourists. In between working that is. America isn't free.

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[–] pancakeQueue 3 points 4 hours ago

Denver is a nice city, growing fast. Hate driving through it though, too much traffic.

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[–] throwitaway4335 3 points 6 hours ago

Welcome to Colorado! I've lived all over the country, but having been here for a while I'd say that the Front Range is the best place to live in the US.

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[–] Trappist1 3 points 7 hours ago

Stay warm!

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[–] BonzaiBananas 3 points 5 hours ago

Welcome to the fresh mountain air.

Source: live in Colorado

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[–] Kosherporkchops 2 points 2 hours ago

Go Avs!

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[–] ethanjcarlson98 2 points 2 hours ago

Hell yes Denver is an awesome place!! You picked one of the best states. I'm just out over in castle rock just outside of Denver :P

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 1 point 2 hours ago

Our sponsor lives here so you could say Denver picked us. It reminds me of home only without the random disappearance of people.

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[–] bluesmaker 2 points 3 hours ago

You moved to a great part of the country. Nice.

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[–] ElegantAlfalfa 2 points an hour ago

Go to the botanic gardens on York street this spring. They have a free day. The tulips will knock your socks off.

Welcome new friend!

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[–] The_Denver_D 2 points 6 hours ago

Best state in the US!

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[–] Heinvinjar 2 points 3 hours ago

Damn I wish I lived in Denver.

Maybe not in this exact moment, but Colorado is a pretty cool place

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[–] canuckengineer 2 points 2 hours ago

Hope you have a south facing driveway, lol

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[–] Soldier-one-trick 1 point 52 minutes ago

Have fun being cold :D

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[–] PartTimeHick 1 point 43 minutes ago

Fuck yeah, blaze it man!

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[–] jumpifnotzero 41 points 8 hours ago

Good for you man! Congrats.

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[–] jarjarkinksXDD 37 points 8 hours ago

Welcome to the party

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 6 points 7 hours ago

Thank you!

Weeeeeee!

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[–] ArandomDane 9 points 7 hours ago

Most likely your first denial was loosing the immigration lottery,

Trump supported the a bill pushed forward to change the system to a more merit based system (RAISE Act). However, this bill failed in the republican controlled house. So the numbers allow in was not halved. So there have not been any major policy changes.

However, the numbers of immigration applicants have dropped. So winning the immigration lottery is more likely...

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 6 points 6 hours ago

Perhaps. I'll have to ask my father about it. For some reason he never wanted to discuss the details with us. Maybe he didn't want to get our hopes up until we were out of Belarus. Once we were out it no longer mattered how we got out so I didn't bother asking.

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[–] verymuchlol 6 points 7 hours ago

Welcome to Freedom™

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[–] AMasonJar -1 points 4 hours ago

I sure love the taste of some Freedom Burgers with a side of Freedom Debt

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[–] LogicalAnswers 6 points 4 hours ago

BuT TrUmP iS rAciSt!!!!!!!!

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[–] stephen89 6 points 3 hours ago

Belarus! That is almost Russia! Almost Collusion confirmed

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 2 points 3 hours ago

I know absolutely nothing about Trump other than a few tidbits I picked up on Reddit. In Belarus the internet was heavenly censored. So censored that you could see everything in a long weekend.

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[–] moonman86 5 points 7 hours ago

Welcome! How long have you been here?

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 5 points 6 hours ago

Thank you. Three months and two weeks. We're in Denver, Colorado and it's beautiful!

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[–] raaawwwsss 3 points 4 hours ago

Welcome. 9 day old account with 13,000 comments. Impressive

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[–] OldNorthSiteMike 2 points 3 hours ago

Welcome to the good ol' US of A!

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[–] dangolhenry 2 points 3 hours ago

as a Trump supporter, let me say welcome! the vast majority of us oppose illegal immigration in part so that people like yourself have a fair chance to immigrate. it's not fair that people who can walk here are given priority in our legal system, but that's how it is right now.

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 3 points 2 hours ago

Thank you. We couldn't walk in. There's a moat.

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[–] PMTITS_4BadJokes 2 points 2 hours ago

I've read that with a Belgian accent

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[–] SneeryLems396 2 points 5 hours ago

Welcome to the USA

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 1 point 3 hours ago

Thank you! I'm loving it!!

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[–] ntheg111 2 points 5 hours ago

Welcome home!

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 1 point 3 hours ago

Thank you. Yes America will forever be my home. I love Denver but I'll have to move to whichever city offers me good employment. I've already been offered a job as a translator in Los Angeles. I just don't think I want to live there so I'm still looking.

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[–] mastorms 2 points 3 hours ago

You are most welcome in America, and welcome to the lounge a while.

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 2 points 2 hours ago

Thank you!

Lounge?

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[–] Came_to_name_a_puppy 2 points 2 hours ago

Welcome to America! I love your enthusiasm, and am proud to have you as a neighbor. If ever someone trys to steal your joy as an American, remember there are many of us who are happy to have you here.

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 1 point an hour ago

Than you.

> If ever someone trys to steal your joy ..

Only one guy did but I ignored him. He made fun of my American flag hat.

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[–] KfatStacks 2 points 3 hours ago

It's likely Trump had nothing to do with this. Welcome though!

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[–] Ineffable_Natasha 2 points 2 hours ago

If a country allows my family to immigrant than the leader of that country gets the credit. That's how it works.

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[–] KfatStacks -5 points 2 hours ago

Not really. You seem pretty young but maybe you should look into it more. Your interpretation is definitely not how it works here in the United States. Leaders of America have to enforce some procedures and laws that they never endorsed or wanted.

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[–] **UndertheCovers_Sales** **2 points** 7 hours ago

Welcome!

Now you are American no matter what anyone may say. We are a nation stitched together of people (except the Native Americans...but they also fit the model of people not content to stay in the same place they originated from) who decided to up and go.

I hate the idea of a melting pot. We are more a mosaic. Where we all cling to our individual customs but when viewed from afar we blend to a beautiful image. We often lose site of this, but it is evident when we endure a national tragedy how one we really are.

And never let another American make you feel not part of the family. A source of water without inflow or outflow becomes a fetid pool of muck. We have always been unique because of our mish mash of cultures. The man selling oranges on Pico Blvd who has struggled to live here for a decade is no less American then myself, despite my people having forged the nation with blood and toil centuries ago.

The Amerian Dream is not picket fences. It is not how "All American" you look or how you pronounce the English Language...it is the ideal even if it seems naive that there is a place where who your dad or mom was doesnt matter, who you worhsip doesnt matter...all that matters is that you work hard and pursue your happiness and one day you could live a life an ancient king would admire.

It is the belief that the only thing holding you back is yourself.

Why do so many recent immigrants own small businesses? Because they are blown away at how easy it is to be your own boss here. No palms to grease, no triad (usually) to pay off just to open your doors. For them it is like finding a sports car with the keys in the ignition and the title on the seat with a note saying Free.

If you want to learn the truth of our founding find a book that describes the history of the Constitutional Convention. You will learn so much reading about how this nation was forged over 4 months in the sweaty old Pennsylvania State House.

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Thank you and I hope what you wrote in your post turns out to be the truth!

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[–] **CherryPropel** **2 points** 5 hours ago

Welcome to America!! Make sure you can see as much of the country as you can. Some parts are so beautiful.

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **1 point** 3 hours ago

I want to see the Grand Canyon and Kansas.

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[–] **Lizziloo87** **2 points** an hour ago

Why Kansas?

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **1 point** 44 minutes ago

I was reading about it and saw photos if it. Reminds me of home somewhat. We were small time farmers in Belarus.

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[–] **fortyandablunt666** **2 points** 3 hours ago

Natasha? I watched Rocky & Bullwinkle. Got my eye on you

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[–] **Ineffable_Natasha** **2 points** 2 hours ago

I assume that's an American cultural joke? I'll look it up later.

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[–] **kaluahmon** **1 point** 15 minutes ago

Welcome home my fellow American!

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[–] **TheBraveMagikarp** **1 point** 5 minutes ago

Welcome home, new friend!

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[–] **Chuckylves** **896 points** 10 hours ago

The most comprehensive criminal reform in decades. Many people have been set free.

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[–] **Good_old_Marshmallow** **47 points** 8 hours ago

Its something that activists have been working on for decades and Jeff Sessions has been prevented. A watered down version was finally passed thanks to Jared's personal attachment due having family having gone to prison. He should absolutely get credit as it is a good thing he has done I just dont want credit to get TOO misplaced

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[–] **areyouserious2562** **33 points** 9 hours ago

They are reforming at a federal level, but I can find absolutely no sources of people being released. A lot of people are supposed to be released within the next 10 or so years.

It was a really good bipartisan plan that I fully support, but it is still in the "How do we get this to work" stages to my knowledge.

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[–] MD_TRUMP_SUPPORTER 40 points 7 hours ago

Here's a story on the first person release..

https://www.npr.org/2019/01/03/681979139/released-from-prison-again-after-criminal-justice-reform-became-law

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[–] screenwriterjohn 5 points 5 hours ago

Federal crimes require you to serve almost your full sentence.

With state level, you only need to serve a portion with good behavior factored in.

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[–] princecaviar 1 point 23 minutes ago

Honestly that's so damn exciting. We needed that so damn bad.

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[–] DocPsychosis -8 points an hour ago

He had nothing to do with that, he just happened to be in office and holding the pen when Congress got aro8md to figuring it out

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[–] Spin_Me -17 points 10 hours ago

proof?

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[–] BullshitSloth 70 points 9 hours ago

I agree he should’ve probably provided a source himself, but google the First Step Act. Trump signed it on December 18th.

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[–] tarverine 66 points 7 hours ago

Absolutely crazy that the media reports for 24 hours on him eating two scoops of ice cream or asking for a diet coke, yet incredibly few people outside of Trump's actual supporters are being told about stuff like this.

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[–] psybrnaut 42 points 6 hours ago

The corporate media networks don't really need you to be an informed citizen. They just need your attention to sell ads (and push their owners' agenda)

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[–] NPC544544 36 points 5 hours ago

You think that's crazy you should Google sarah jeong and then check out all the literal gaslighting articles that just about the entire media went with to defend her.

That was my final tipping point to not trust a single thing they do.

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[–] notsurewhatiam 8 points 3 hours ago

Had no idea who she was

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[–] NPC544544 20 points 3 hours ago

Huge racist and sexist who is the lead tech writer and member of the editorial board for the New York Times.

Looking into the details of her will absolutely destroy your confidence in our media.

So quick rundown. Woman is hired for the job and the offer is immediately rescinded when they found that she had tweeted racist and homophobic remarks in the past.

The new York times then hired sarah jeong, and a few days later people bring up her racist and sexist tweets.

New York Times issues a statement that they were aware of the tweets, and that sarah jeong is not a racist or sexist, people were just mean to her on the twitter so she "counter trolled them". Which would be a shitty excuse no matter what, but even more so since she never @ anyone with her racism or sexism, she just tweeted it to the world because that is how she feels. They also left out the time she tweeted "fuck white women" to her friend as they were discussing voting habits. So I guess she was counter trolling her friend as well?

You would think this would be a big story, however the only articles addressing it go with the "counter trolling" lie or tell white people to suck it up because people can't be racist towards white people some how.

I emailed npr and asked why they didn't cover the story and they informed me that they have all ready covered racism so they don't need to cover this story.

Pure 100% media collusion and gaslighting. An open racist and sexist is a lead writer and editorial member of one of the largest media outlets in the world and you won't even hear about it.

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[–] Failninjaninja 8 points 2 hours ago

She’s a really awful person.

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[–] NPC544544 7 points 2 hours ago

And she helps control what the New York Times publishes.

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[–] Failninjaninja 8 points an hour ago

The New York Times isn't really a news organization anymore. They are an advocacy organization, the hiring of a blatant racist is just the icing on the cake.

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[–] popoflabbins 1 point 17 minutes ago

I've been saying this for a while. It's hilarious some people even see them as a news source considering how they blatantly refuse to report on so many issues in order to push an agenda. They're just about as corrupt as Fox at this point (maybe not as stupid though).

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[–] popoflabbins 1 point 52 minutes ago

That is completely fucked up, wow. The NPR response is even more sickening.

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[–] ChocolateCrane95 14 points 5 hours ago

I was in the same boat too a few months ago. I couldn't find anything positive from mainstream media and most of reddit. I had to completely change my sources of information to find some good info.

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[–] A-Z-1-3 6 points 3 hours ago

What are some of those sources, if you don't mind my asking?

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[–] RyanGosling13 4 points 3 hours ago

I also would like to know because most mainstream websites I've tried are too far blue or red

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[–] RustyBaconSandwich 12 points 4 hours ago

It's almost like they're trying to make you feel a certain way rather than inform you of current events...

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[–] doghorseman 1 point 39 minutes ago

I feel like that's a your fault thing. Yo need to be better informed, mainstream media has not been truthful at all, it's yellow journalism now. You need to seek out the truth not get it fed to you.

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[–] tarverine 1 point 38 minutes ago

Yeah, nothing like antagonistic blaming to get people to join your side!

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[–] milhouseisa_meme 5 points an hour ago

He gave Alice Marie Johnson her freedom back

https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/6415920/alice-marie-johnson-prison-kim-kardashian-donald-trump-latest/

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[–] Cum_belly 1 point 7 hours ago

Google.com dude

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[–] BullshitSloth 4 points 7 hours ago

Your username is a thing..

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[–] RumAndGames -18 points 7 hours ago

Any evidence that was a Trump project at all?

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[–] psybrnaut 31 points 6 hours ago

Not sure it was a Trump "project" from start to signing, but he announced support of it when the draft came from congress. Then had several activist celebs to the WH to discuss and promote it.

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[–] RumAndGames 0 points 6 hours ago

Yeah I'm thrilled with the bill, just never been big on giving presidents a lot of credit for standing behind something with so much support in Congress that they couldn't do anything about it anyway. At that point anything *but* enthusiastic support is just political idiocy.

And while I understand it's hard to have faith in a stranger on Reddit, that's a standard I've held all presidents to. If congress basically hands you a lay up and it wasn't even a part of your agenda, I approve of your signing it but I'm not giving you massive props for it.

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[–] psybrnaut 11 points 6 hours ago

Fair enough, I do recall him mentioning it on the campaign trail but it wasn't a corner stone of his promise by any stretch. In fact his words were LAW AND ORDER, and actually enforcing our laws. But yes, he gets this one for free lol

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[–] CordageMonger -43 points 6 hours ago

Can we not give Trump too much credit for signing bills he doesn't read that women shoved into his desk?

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[–] Retbann 35 points 5 hours ago

Extremely sexist and reeks of TDS.

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[–] PedeNeedsSpeed (deleted by user) 1 point 3 hours ago

I was curious if you were racist on top of being a disgusting pig-faced misogynist ... did not have to look very far for my answer. Shoot your brains out Nazi.

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[–] perspectiveskey 887 points 9 hours ago

Some policies I hope most could get behind. The right to try act- If you are considered terminally I'll or close to it, this bill gives you access to experimental drugs that may help your condition.

The first step act- gives our criminal justice system more heart and attempts on focusing on rehabilitation, and lowering recidivism.

Reports state we are close to becoming energy independent in the near future, this is undeniably important when it comes to foreign affairs, allowing us to take a more hands off approach if desired.

New trade deal with Canada and Mexico to replace NAFTA, more protections for us workers, also has potential benefits for wage increases for workers in Mexico and Canada.

Having NATO countries pay their fair share per the agreement, resulting in an increase of 100 billion spent this past year by allies.

Acknowledging China as our number one threat, and the economic imbalance and issues we currently have with them. IP theft is a big issue, and is part of the reason why China has been able to grow like the have, although no trade deal is in place, I think many can get behind the idea of leveling the playing field.

Implementation of steel tariffs to counteract Chinese dumping of steel. Chinese steel is subsidized by their government, as it is a long term goal to put adversaries production means out of business, these tariffs grew our steel industry here, which is necessary for long term national defense, if you cannot readily make steel you cannot readily go to war.

The child and daycare tax credit, allows for parents to receive a tax credit for a percentage of the cost spent on daycare and childcare, thus making it easier for mothers to return to the workforce.

Trade deal with Japan and South Korea, which attempt to level the playing field for us companies in attempts to grow jobs at home.

Freeing of foreign held prisoners without using ransom or military force

Declared the opioid crisis as a national emergency, and additionally prodded China to sentence to death any drug dealer/trafficker that ships fentanyl into the US. More people have died from the opioid crisis than died in Vietnam war, I wish we could solve this problem more, but strides are being made.

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[–] RichAndCompelling 191 points 7 hours ago

The right to try act should have been common sense for a long time. I'm glad he finally is getting this together.

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[–] Z01dbrg 7 points 6 hours ago

It was, but FDA is filled with cronies that block new drugs...

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[–] Mawontalk -43 points 6 hours ago

Surprise, surprise

Reddit's Largest Pro-Trump Subreddit Appears To Have Been Targeted By Russian Propaganda For Years

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[–] qatest2 38 points 5 hours ago

Did you seriously try to pull a Buzzfeed article as credible after that one fiasco?

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[–] Failninjaninja 3 points 2 hours ago

The right to try act only effects a small number of people but to those people it is literally a lifeline that gives them hope. I wish this had gotten more press.

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[–] CommunistKomrade 1 point 21 minutes ago

It's not as good as it sounds, it's typically reserved for the wealthy that can afford it and the treatments almost never work. Just allows them to be guinea pigs at their own expense. I believe many if not most states already had similar policy in place.

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[–] kkirv -1 points 3 hours ago

"He"? Did you mean to say "America"?

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[–] SneeryLems396 147 points 6 hours ago

That's a pretty good list. I'd like to throw a few things out there too:

Red line with Syria was enforced and basically stamped out the ISIS caliphate by allowing the military to do their jobs more effectively. (They're still around but the amount of land and resources they control is all but gone)

Job increases 300k more jobs in the last report alone. Record low unemployment.

Tax cuts

Forcing North Korea to the negotiating table. North Korea seems to be coming around somewhat.

Withdrawing from the Paris climate agreement. (This isn't a matter of opinion or climate change denial) I firmly believe we're headed for environmental disaster at this pace but the Paris agreement was a terrible deal for America and allowed India and other major countries to keep BUILDING coal power plants while we subsidize it. This along many other counterintuitive policies. Terrible agreement altogether and not good for the environment. Real change here is going to need more than a worked PR stunt by politicians.

Criminal Justice reform. Major reform.

He's addressing the immigration issue at the southern border. Any common sense human being knows that the vast majority of people coming in from Latin America are decent hardworking people and make great neighbors. Plus the food is so good. But we're talking about millions of people and the small minority is still thousands of people coming across that are criminals are a real that to America. Drug traffic and the opioid crisis is being fueled by Mexican cartel use of fentanyl over natural poppies. I truly feel for the people trying to make a new life here and consider it incredibly brave to leave their homes behind. On the other side we did have Ellis island and other immigration facilities in the past. Now we have much better technology and the ability to process legal immigration much faster. That needs to happen and just ignoring illegal immigration is a threat. It is a fact that terrorists have been arrested trying to cross from Mexico illegally.

Took a very tough stance against Russia and their increased aggression which vicariously includes measures to put China in check with their agenda. China's agenda is not America friendly and they treat many of their own citizens terrible. If they weren't so wealthy and important the world would regards their policies with her disdain and lump it into the same categories as Venezuela or Turkey.

Major overall to the department of veterans affairs and the VA hospital system.

An unprecedented economic boom

And the fact he even got elected. I was convinced the powers that be could have brought Hillary Clinton into the oval office after she stole the nomination from Sanders. We are very very lucky as a country Hillary Clinton is not president.

If TLDR than in summary objectively speaking Trump has done many things very well. I'm not a huge Trump supporter and voted 3rd party but the fact is the media will not give him credit for his accomplishments and facts are facts regardless of personal feelings here.

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[–] Raptorzesty 13 points 3 hours ago

> We are very very lucky as a country Hillary Clinton is not president.

Yeah, I feel pretty shameful for voting for her. I did what I thought was best, but now I hope the alternate universe where she was elected she was also impeached.

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[–] SneeryLems396 3 points an hour ago

You did what you thought was best at the time. It can be hard but Hindsight is 20\20.

Personally I went for a 3rd party trying to bolster a 5% of the total votes which would allow that party to run as a major party next election.

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[–] pioneerSolid3 1 point 3 hours ago

> Any common sense human being knows that the vast majority of people coming in from Latin America are decent hardworking people and make great neighbors.

Thanks, it would help if I can get a US Visa... even if I have a Engineering degree and a Masters. Not even capacitated people can get Visa to visit you guys.

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[–] SneeryLems396 2 points 3 hours ago

Even an h1b Visa? That sucks, sorry to hear it. It's really a shame how broken our immigration system has become. Many other Western countries are also pretty difficult to get in to but this is America and we should be doing better.

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[–] skieezy 1 point 11 minutes ago

Maybe if the weren't over 10 million people here illegally were could hand out some more visas.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle -12 points 3 hours ago

> Tax cuts

Tax cuts are NOT a positive. They're permanent for the wealthy and a temporary measure for middle and lower class. They're also massively increasing the deficit, so in reality it's a loan... which will currently be paid back almost entirely by the lower and middle class. So... a loan for the lower and middle class and a wealth re-distribution from the lower and middle to the wealthy.

>Took a very tough stance against Russia

LMAO. Based on what? The sanctions he removed from oligarchs? Or the new sanctions that were unanimously passed by congress that the executive branch refuses to enforce? He's been soft on Russia because Russia is his friend. Nothing he has done has been remotely "tough" on Russia.

>He's addressing the immigration issue at the southern border.

Made up crisis. No actual issue exists.

>Forcing North Korea to the negotiating table. North Korea seems to be coming around somewhat.

Based on what? They continued their Nuclear development programs and didn't even slow down. What exactly did the negotiation accomplish besides remains of people who weren't even the Americans promised?

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[–] PopularArgument 15 points 3 hours ago

> He's addressing the immigration issue at the southern border. > > Made up crisis. No actual issue exists.

Have... have you even been to a southern state?

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle -11 points 3 hours ago

Yes. Also I believe mayors of boarder cities over Trump.

The majority of illegal immigration isn't walking across the desert. They fly in and overstay a visa.

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[–] BeDoubleYou 10 points 3 hours ago

False. Less than half of illegal immigration was the result of people over staying visas.

Even the information from The Center for Migration Studies states this. We don't have any new information since Immigration and Naturalization Service (the government agency they were using to source their research) doesn't exist anymore.

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[–] GreyStomp 2 points an hour ago

More illegal immigration happens outside of plane, but that shouldn’t be a reason to not close our borders. We should close our borders and then reform the immigration system so we deport people who overstay their visas and also accept more hardworking people who want to adopt American values and seek the bountiful opportunity in this great nation.

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[–] Mug_Ruith2369 9 points 3 hours ago

On Russia: providing Ukraine with weapons fucks Russia. Becoming an oil exporter fucks Russia. The nuclear treaty countdown going into effect counters Russia and holds them liable.

So I guess he’s not being more flexible after the election like other presidents but seems pretty tonight.

North Korea: based on meetings actually fucking happening. On missile tests not happening. On border crossings by statesmen.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle -15 points 3 hours ago

Ohhh. He had a meeting. Of which, Trump pulled our military out of the area and received nothing in return. Woohoo!

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[–] Mug_Ruith2369 10 points 3 hours ago

Hold up! The US left our base in Japan! I gotta call my cousin and tell him to come home. He’s the only one left I guess

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[–] Grover_Steveland 5 points 2 hours ago

You're not only terribly misinformed, you're a pessimist as well. You should grow out of that teenage angst, it loses its luster out of high school.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle (deleted by user) 0 points 2 hours ago

I'm a senior engineer at a high end semiconductor manufacturing company. You don't need to try to act like a big kid to downplay facts.

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[–] Grover_Steveland -1 points 2 hours ago

Oh the irony.

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[–] **SneeryLems396** **3 points** an hour ago

You're kidding right? You gotta put down a real argument if you want to be taken seriously bc umm yeah not really feeling anything but pity.

How is the crisis at the border made up? How is it not an issue? People are dying. Do you not know that actual fucking terrorists have been arrested trying to sneak in Through a huge border? Please clarify because Phoenix has become the kidnapping capital of America and it's because of predators taking advantage of their own people and other illegal immigrants who fear us law enforcement. Do you really not believe ms-13 is a criminal organization that will kill anyone it wants? Have you ever met a gang member like them? I have and they're terrifying people. Sociopathic. Most gang members I've known (grew up in a major city) are kids for the most part and many are decent people looking for something but Ms-13, 18th Street, seranos among many other have monsters walking amongst them that will kill children and burn babies without a second hesitation. They are a minority of the Latin American population but are destroying lives in Latin America at an alarming rate? Where do you think the synthetic opiates are coming from? Umm Mexico, and a tiny portion comes from China. Is it muled in on people's backs, generally no bc it comes across through legal checkpoints and floods American streets thanks in large to NAFTA. Not just bc if easier to smuggle large quantities at border crossings through a calculated risk game but bc of the income inequality it helped create in Mexico which helped create cartels and gangs that will dispose bodies in acid and have killed more people than the Yemen war. NAFTA is another thing Trump did away with. Good decision bc of the stated reasons and then some. But after it passes those legal checkpoints, who do you think does a lot of the warehousing, shipping and bulk wholesaling? It sure the fuck ain't Walmart or Amazon.

Tax cuts: well let's look at the economy and median household income shall we.... No need I'm too busy working more than I can handle bc the economy is booming. Wonder if tax cuts were a part of that. Nah probably not just a coincidence. Generational wealth is a little tougher to respect but I worked for a man who built his company in his backyard out of nothing and has almost 200 employees making 50 million a year. He's earned my respect and become more successful than most everyone I've known including myself through shear will power and intelligent business.

Who was the last sitting us president to see a North Korean president? A: never happened before Trump. How did Clinton policy in there 90s effect North Korean nuclear development? It accelerated it tremendously.

Not to mention Clinton mandatory minimum enhancements? Trump's criminal Justice reform happened and is basically a mirror image of democratic initiatives that fizzled out bc there wasn't proper leadership but the left is still pissed. Also the left hated TPP for very good reasons but when Trump dashed the hopes and dreams of corporate executives and billionaire multinationals the left lost their minds. Dude just can't win even when he does.

Russia? What major provocations did Russia do during the Obama administration? Invading Ukraine sound familiar? Does supporting bashar al-assad really seem like it's working out for the people of Syria? Russia backs him blindly bc of Iran. Sorry but Obama rolled over and showed Putin his belly every time Russia pulled some egregious crime. Trump's sanctions are biting directly into Russian policy. Why do you think the Russians just arrested some random American wierdo? Bc they're running out of cards.

The Iranian government is an enemy of the United States. Not necessarily the people but the government has not minced words in their feelings towards to the USA. That is until we pull the knock your shit off card and expose a government that is among the most corrupt and incompetent in the entire world. A government that actively supports terrorism against the USA and other gulf Nations. Mostly killing Muslims. It's incredibly sad but supported at a administrative level in Iran.

Not to mention the Arab spring. What a tragedy that became. I forget who was secretary of state at that time? And president? Must've been Nixon or Roosevelt or something. Shit I don't know.

Looks like more Trump hating based on very little information to me and not much more than plugging your ears and closing your eyes. Just more "ya right Trump is Hitler".

Let's be clear on another thing; Hitler was a monster sending 6 million Jews, among others, to their deaths in horrific ways and Killing millions more.

Stalin was worse and killed twice what Hitler did. Chairman Mao is responsible for 60 million or more deaths. That's far left extremism at it's worst.

Trump is not Hitler and thank God he's not socialist.

I didn't vote for either major party last election, I voted libertarian proudly. Before that Obama (very disappointing) before that McCain (why Palin I'll never know). I'll vote my conscience.

I've got no skin in this game at all and have a tough time with some of the things Trump has said and done (bc the man's public persona is abrasive at his best) but the facts are facts, he's not fucking around and means what he says. More so than any other politician I've ever seen. And he's getting America back and forcing the respect we've lost by trying to be everyone's buddy. We're the leaders of the free world and the best example history has ever seen. Has the USA fucked up, yep pretty badly too but The EU is able to be so pompous bc of our participation in NATO and ww2, same for Canada. If it wasn't for the United States they'd be speaking German in France and Russian in Quebec.

Trump simply gets no love from the left leaning media and the media has become a propaganda machine for leftist causes and is just doing everything it can to destroy him and it's responsible for much of the division in this country bc of leftist idealist executives and decision makers at crucial spots in the media management.

Trump could literally end poverty, eliminate hunger, cure every disease, give the world free internet, shit gold and the left would still think he's failed. He's definitely not perfect but facts are facts he's done some things very well and far better than most his predecessors.

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[–] **jerklTwithRIGHTYnewb** **1 point** 3 hours ago

Thank you for doing this for me.

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[–] **BonzaiBananas** **52 points** 5 hours ago

I love the childcare tax credit. Definitely helps when we both work.

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[–] YJMark 1 point 57 minutes ago

Is this a new one? I ask because child care tax credit has been around for easily over a decade.

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[–] DLS3141 11 points 6 hours ago

>Implementation of steel tariffs to counteract Chinese dumping of steel. Chinese steel is subsidized by their government, as it is a long term goal to put adversaries production means out of business, these tariffs grew our steel industry here, which is necessary for long term national defense, if you cannot readily make steel you cannot readily go to war.

Then why did his tariffs also target European steel mfgs, particularly tubing? Our steel material costs have skyrocketed and we have to either pay the tariffs or halt production because domestic steelmakers are either unable to produce steel to the specs we require or unwilling to produce it in the lower volumes we need.

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[–] RunnerMomLady 5 points 6 hours ago

the dependent care credit is not new

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[–] PokeSmot420420 3 points 3 hours ago

Some of these are ok, but not tariffs.

Tariffs didn't work for Obama, they didn't work for Bush, they didn't work for Herbert Hoover, they didn't work in the 18th and 17th centuries. Definitely going to be different now though.

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[–] ShjR 2 points 3 hours ago

Are you saying death sentence is actually a good thing?

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[–] Weaponized_Puddle 2 points an hour ago

If you're considered close to terminal you'll what?

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[–] civiestudent 2 points an hour ago

A notable thing you didn't mention is that he withdrew the US from an international agreement about postage costs that was screwing over the USPS's finances big time. (This is why all your packages shipping from China were so cheap up until a few months ago.) Obviously I dislike the guy's personality, but I do appreciate that he's willing to force issues. Once he's gone, whoever's left with the mess will negotiate a better way of charging for international packages.

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[–] Vitamin_H17 1 point 4 hours ago

Thank you for this. 😊

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[–] ElegantAlfalfa 1 point an hour ago

Love this

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[–] notacrook 0 points 3 hours ago

I agree with you on China, but it's also thanks to Hillary that we're as aware and prepared for their threat as she made a conscious pivot to Asia as Sec. of State.

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[–] Darth_Boggle -1 points 6 hours ago

What did to combat opioids other than declaring it a national emergency? Also, why is sentencing drug dealers to death a good thing?

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[–] ComputerMystic 3 points 5 hours ago

> Also, why is sentencing drug dealers to death a good thing?

That's specifically regarding Fentanyl, a major killer in the opioid crisis.

See that white smudge next to the penny? That's a lethal dose of Fentanyl.

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[–] fluffmiceter -3 points 6 hours ago

He’s building a wall to cut off the major highway of drugs entering the country. And, gang members that bring in the drugs are being arrested by ICE.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson 9 points 5 hours ago

You realize most drugs enter the country through legal points of entry , not some guy with a backpack walking through the desert?

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[–] fluffmiceter 9 points 5 hours ago

Building a wall would greatly reduce the amount of work that border security has to do in unguarded areas and then focus those important resources on checking things entering our legal ports of entry with greater scrutiny.

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[–] fudwrecker 3 points 4 hours ago

Exactly, it's like some people don't understand how a funnel works. You can stop the flow out of it with your finger tip.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson -3 points 5 hours ago

Personally I'd prefer some 21st century technology to monitor the border as opposed to some medieval solution. That's just me tho

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[–] TugboatEng 7 points 5 hours ago

You would rather have the military and border patrol intercepting migrants and interning them or even getting into violent conflicts over a wall that simply blocks their path.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson 1 point 5 hours ago

You think someone trying to cross the border is gonna walk up to a wall, shrug their shoulders and just walk away? They'll find a way to get over. And when they do border patrol will need to be there regardless. If you sign up to patrol the border you should expect that occasionally you might encounter some dangerous situations.

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[–] I_Am_My_Own_God 5 points 5 hours ago

Who says they even start the walk if they know there is a wall in the way.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson 3 points 4 hours ago

Now that's a hot take. Pretty laughable

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[–] TugboatEng 4 points 4 hours ago

It's not about the BP officers getting injured or killed, it's about the migrants. It seems like one side is just itching to have a border patrol agent shoot and kill an unarmed civilian so Trump can get blamed for it. It's best to minimize the number of confrontations between the guys with the guns and those without. It seems like a wall would be the best way to do this.

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[–] fudwrecker 1 point 4 hours ago

Yup they can hardly bring enough water to get there so I bet on top of that they will start bringing 40' extension ladders with them instead of water and die of thirst at about the half way mark. Bwahahah

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[–] ThrillHarrelson 1 point 4 hours ago

Yeah cuz a 40' extension ladder is the only way to breach a wall

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[–] acada 5 points 5 hours ago

Ancient tech or not, walls are very effective. Especially when paired with modern technology.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson -1 points 5 hours ago

Ok you've convinced me. I'm done talking about walls for today

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[–] ZeusKabob -1 points 3 hours ago

Hey, I'll updoot that.

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[–] fluffmiceter 4 points 5 hours ago

I believe monitoring technology is, or was at some point planned for the wall. I don't know if the funding secured for the current sections of wall included it, but I'll check later on and edit this. But regardless, being able to detect when illegal aliens are crossing wouldn't be effective without some sort of physical barrier to give security time to respond to the threat. If you got notified as soon as someone was seen crossing, you would still have to chase them around which is difficult to do across such a large border. Walls have proven effective in the places where they exist.

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[–] TubbyNinja 0 points 5 hours ago

Personally, I'd like some 21st century technology to help give motion to my car as opposed to some medieval solution. Wheels man.. so fucking stupid.

That's just me tho.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson -2 points 5 hours ago

What in God's name are you talking about?

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[–] ComputerMystic 6 points 5 hours ago

He's pointing out that sometimes a simple solution is best.

But yeah, I'd prefer some 21st century technology to keep people out of my apartment as opposed to some medieval solution. That's just me tho

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[–] ZeusKabob 2 points 3 hours ago

Dumb doors are so last year. I want an Amazon® SmartDoor™, which lets Amazon delivery robots into your house but keeps criminals out by taking their picture and having Alexa read them their Miranda rights. They wouldn't dare steal after that!

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[–] ComputerMystic 1 point an hour ago

Can't hack my door with your phone

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If my door isn't connected to the internet

Seriously though, can't hack a fuckin' deadbolt.

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[–] ThrillHarrelson 2 points 5 hours ago

The walls not a solution at all imo. The whole thing is a complex problem that requires multiple solutions to rectify

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[–] snaynay 1 point 4 hours ago

Out of curiosity though, what negatives are there to trying a wall?

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[–] ThrillHarrelson 1 point 4 hours ago

Trying a wall? Don't act like it's some 30 day free trial. Once it's built, it's built and we gotta pay to maintain like every other thing in this country. I'll admit I don't rly care about illegal immigration, I'd rather use that money for some other pressing need

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[–] SaltySixtySeven 0 points 3 hours ago

You realize you have no clue how much comes across an open border and doesn't get caught.

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[–] Darth_Boggle 3 points 6 hours ago

Most opioids are manufactured by pharmaceutical companies. They're profiting from our overdoses.

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[–] slyravaniste -2 points 6 hours ago

I can get behind most of that, but the China thing isn't really true. There's really neither an upside nor a downside to our economic ties and import/export with China. Mostly China is worried about continuing to grow their economy without also disrupting their political grip on their own country; i.e. mostly focused inward (when it comes to their economic policies. Military and Diplomatic concerns are another matter).

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[–] ricochet_rico 4 points 4 hours ago

When you consider there are Chinese companies competing and taking business away from the very companies whose IP they stole and duplicated, among other things, that's a pretty big downside.

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[–] Righteousho -5 points 3 hours ago

Great list, MAGA.

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[–] DJA2019 -6 points 4 hours ago

Also, helping expose the Left for being the godless immoral socialists they are.

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[–] HomocusPocus 753 points 19 hours ago

Despite the negative press covfefe

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[–] Broken-Butterfly 174 points 17 hours ago

It was the best covfefe by any President, really.

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[–] ono412 5 points 5 hours ago

Everyone knows it, believe me.

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[–] Rust_Dawg 135 points 11 hours ago

Covfefe and hamberders made my life worth living again.

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[–] huffliest_puff 30 points 10 hours ago

Global waming

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[–] gideonbayle 12 points 7 hours ago

Little Adam Schitt was in tears.

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[–] themitchnz 1 point 5 hours ago

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[–] kingbluetit 29 points 12 hours ago

My favourite thing about this was Spicer trying to pass it off as intentional. And idiots believed it.

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[–] Htowngetdown 5 points 9 hours ago

You're the idiot for thinking spicer was being serious, tbh...

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[–] kingbluetit -9 points 9 hours ago

Yeah because the Trump administration have never lied or said stupid things before or since...

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[–] Htowngetdown 10 points 9 hours ago

Just saying... who thinks a typo "covfefe" is serious? People with TDS, I suppose.

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[–] ChanandlerBonng 2 points 8 hours ago

Go back and watch that press conference. It was stated by Spicer - completely serious - as an intentional and "inside joke" reference between Trump and the WH staff.
It was clearly a typo, but at no point did Spicer even imply it was a mistake or typo.

What bothers people is how unwilling Spicer (and by extension Trump) was to even admit such a small insignificant error. It begged the question: if Trump was unwilling to admit such a small mistake, how willing would he be to admit a larger mistake when it happens?

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[–] Htowngetdown 4 points 7 hours ago

The inside joke is that you idiots think he was serious

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[–] gideonbayle 7 points 7 hours ago

This is a running thing that Trump does. Tweets that he wants a lot of attention on. He will intentionally misspell something. Sure it gets negative press and people call him an idiot, but its usually a word that is easily interpetable to glean the true meaning. And millions more people actually read the tweet to see the typo than would normally. But now they saw what he said, its indelible in their hippo campus.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 9 hours ago

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[–] Mom2Rad_Sims4 5 points 6 hours ago

I am not a Trump supporter in any way but even I can tell when someone is joking. Good lord, people are so humorless.

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[–] OldNorthSiteMike 1 point 3 hours ago

Spicer's vitriolic hatred for Dippin' Dots was the height of Trump's presidency.

That and #THE MOOCH

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[–] halflife69 14 points 11 hours ago

I will still be handing out hamberders to our great team.

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[–] illy-chan 6 points 7 hours ago

I don't like the man but I think people made way too big an issue out of the typos like it's not something *literally everyone* has done, including the press.

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[–] Drando_HS 4 points 7 hours ago

Roses are red,

Trees are leafy.

Despite the negative press,

Covfefe

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[–] Sati1984 3 points 16 hours ago

The negative press covfefe

Inspired many a cow meme

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[–] evlcrow 3 points 10 hours ago

Why is everyone spelling coffee wrong?

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[–] Ensec 2 points 7 hours ago

the weird things is I remember that word. like I have used it before, long before. Generally as "all that covfefe" or something like that. Like I feel like it's a synonym for "shit" or "Stuff" but when I checked to see if i was right the word never existed. since he said it I have lived perpetually with the actual word on the tip of my tongue and it is so annoying. is it "cerfluffle?" no that's stupid maybe it's "confuffle" no that's not right.... I DON'T KNOW AND IT'S ANNOYING ME

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[–] looneyleftcommies 3 points 6 hours ago

Is it this maybe?

ker·fuf·fleDictionary result for kerfuffle /kərˈfəfəl/Submit nounINFORMAL•BRITISH

a commotion or fuss, especially one caused by conflicting views. "there was a kerfuffle over the chairmanship"

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[–] Ensec 2 points 4 hours ago

THAT'S IT

THANK YOU

THANK YOU SO GOD DAMN MUCH

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[–] looneyleftcommies 2 points 4 hours ago

You're welcome!

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[–] DevilSP21 1 point 10 hours ago

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uZFq7U0q2Bo

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[–] DestinyDominous 647 points 19 hours ago

A lot more average americans are voting on both sides! Its made politics pretty crazy and interesting.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 67 points 12 hours ago

A lot more involvement, same level of being properly informed.

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[–] politicusmaximus 4 points 6 hours ago

I know when I collude with Russia, I like to arm the country they invaded with lethal weapons, killed hundreds of them in Syrian air raids, call them out on lying about nuke agreements for decades and pull out of the agreement and put the harshest sanctions on their economy in history and force Germany to stop buying their natural gas.

Hard eyeroll. There is no quid pro quo with Russia.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **3 points** 6 hours ago

Ok? This has anything to do with my post? Did you even read it?

I basically said, “I hate when people hold a drastic position, and use absolutely no evidence to support it.”

You said, “Here’s a bunch of evidence brought to you by sarcasm.”

Thanks...?

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[–] **nsfw279797** **4 points** 5 hours ago

Wdym you used someone disagreeing with the Mueller probe as an example. Mueller was supposed to investigate if Trump colluded with Russia, which the earlier commenter explained was unlikely. He was trying to give evidence for the "drastic position" you were talking about

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **3 points** 5 hours ago

So...? I wasn’t asking for evidence. I know of the, “evidence,” of this. I was talking about someone who was arguing the position without evidence, and literally said they had no idea what they were talking about.

You’re both completely missing the very clear point of my post.

Even if the original person I spoke to in real life had been 100% right about the position, they willingly admitted they had no real knowledge of the situation and yet still held a drastic opinion about the situation. This is an idiotic way to make up your mind about anything really.

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[–] **nsfw279797** **2 points** 5 hours ago

OH my bad...yeah sorry I misunderstood. I think that confused a couple of us lol.

In all honesty I wouldn't mind at all for someone to share their opinion with the preface that they don't know too much about the topic. I find that too often people who don't know anything at all speak on things with complete certainty and I think that damages dialogue more than anything. Because while maybe most people might be able to tell that this person is talking out of their ass, not everyone will be able to which is the same reason why propaganda is so effective.

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[–] **politicusmaximus** **1 point** 5 hours ago

I was just making the point that the Russia investigation is obviously stupid and should be shut down.

I agree it was not directly related to your comment about uninformed voters... which we agree on.

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[–] **Nyrin** **2 points** 11 hours ago

Has anyone done the math on how many Mueller investigations you could buy per day of the economic impact of the temper tantrum shutdown? That'd likely be pretty sobering.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **8 points** 10 hours ago

Last article I saw about the cost showed Mueller was still well in the green after Manaforts asset forfeitures, but that was a few months ago now. But if you want to shut down a so far extremely productive investigation examining foreign intervention in our political process due to cost, you’re a dumbass. No calculations needed.

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[–] **Angel_Hunter_D** **9 points** 8 hours ago

Asset forfeiture isn't something that should be counted though, as a fair number of people consider it government approved theft.

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[–] **TheMapperOfMaps** **6 points** 7 hours ago

Not that forfeiture is a perfect process, but a fair number of people also believe that Mueller is gonna break the news at some point that he’s actually been investigating Hillary’s emails. A fair number of people believe they’ve been visited by aliens. So you’ll have to forgive me if a fair number of people believing something doesn’t make me discount something at face value.

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[–] **ZeusKabob** **2 points** 3 hours ago

How about this rephrasing then?

"Asset forfeiture shouldn't be counted as funding for an investigation, just as speeding shouldn't be considered funding for a police station".

In the positive case, you can argue that he's earned money for the government instead of spending money, but you have to consider the negative case. If his investigation becomes contingent on him finding assets to use to fund it, it's similar to police

being required to get enough tickets to fund their own job. It generates a perverse incentive that may negatively affect the pursuit of justice.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 2 points 3 hours ago

That's a good point. Never considered that aspect of it. Just to be clear, I could give a rats ass if he's losing money (within reason obviously) or gaining it for us. These things are well worth the money.

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[–] ZeusKabob 1 point 2 hours ago

Agreed, investigations like this should be pursued for sure. Securing our elections is something that's worth spending money on, and these kinds of investigations are really a drop in the bucket when it comes down to it.

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[–] brickmack 4 points 7 hours ago

People consider it theft because under current laws, the police can keep assets taken even from people who were not charged with anything or who were found not guilty. Almost all of the seized assets so far are from Manafort, who is now a convict, and I assume the rest is from other convicts as well

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[–] Nyrin 1 point 10 hours ago

If that's directed at me, please note that I never said anything about wanting to shut it down—quite the contrary, I'm saying it's a ridiculous notion and that even trying to draw attention to its "cost" is absurd.

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[–] TheMapperOfMaps 3 points 10 hours ago

No it wasn't, sorry if it seemed like that.

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[–] Cilvaa 1 point an hour ago

The Mueller investigation has cost about $25-30 million sor far, as of Dec 2018, let's say $30m even.
The shutdown cost about $3 billion.

You could buy exactly 100 Mueller investigations for the cost of the shutdown.

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[–] Yolo_Swagovich 1 point 27 minutes ago

The shutdown cost far more than that, in fact, you could have built two walls with it, which is the reason the shutdown happen.

The shutdown is pelosies brain child you can't pin that on Trump. All it did is make people realize that money was never her issue with the wall, it was her personal beliefs.

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[–] Cilvaa 1 point 24 minutes ago

If you'd read the article, you'd see it actually cost $11b, but most of that can be recovered. $3b is what can't be recovered.

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[–] Cilvaa 0 points an hour ago

> "I haven't looked into this and know very little about it, but the Mueller investigation is costing too much, shut it down."

https://i.imgur.com/mv2INJZ.mp4

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[–] sebblMUC 44 points 13 hours ago

And you still only have two big parties. Nothing learned Americans

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[–] Aphile 48 points 11 hours ago

There is nothing which I dread so much as a division of the republic into two great parties, each arranged under its leader, and concerting measures in opposition to each other. This, in my humble apprehension, is to be dreaded as the greatest political evil under our Constitution.

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[–] 2dudesinapod 3 points 10 hours ago

Isn't it already that way?

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[–] NormGreen 22 points 10 hours ago

That's a quote from George Washington's Farewell Address

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[–] dw36 9 points 9 hours ago

Apparently it was John Adams, not sure when/why.

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[–] Aphile 1 point 6 hours ago

It's honestly a sad state of affairs. One of the guys who helped design this system, called it from the start, and here we are.

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[–] Aphile 1 point 6 hours ago

That's my point. This quote is from 1780.

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[–] crackhappy 1 point 11 hours ago

-Captain Picard

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[–] BeABetterHumanBeing 15 points 9 hours ago

The first-past-the-post, winner-takes-all style of election effectively guarantees that there will only be two parties. Americans aren't going to "learn" that until the voting method is changed to something more solid, like approval voting.

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[–] steeldraco 1 point 8 hours ago

And that would have to be changed by... the political parties that would be destroyed by doing so.

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[–] Mom2Rad_Sims4 1 point 6 hours ago

It will never change because gerrymandering is how they manipulate elections legally.

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[–] EkiAku 12 points 9 hours ago

Unfortunately, the way the votes are counted means that voting for small parties actively harms your policitic views from being represented.

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[–] vVvMaze 6 points 9 hours ago

That isnt because we only want two parties. The system is rigged in that we only get two (one) party to choose from. Its an oligarchy disguised as a representative republic.

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[–] Pikmints 3 points 10 hours ago

I feel like the largest reason why that's still happening is because of the polarization. People will vote one way just to get the opposing politician out of office because of either fear or anger, thinking that getting that person out is a higher priority than getting the ideal candidate in.

Seeing as how Donald Trump actively attacks the Demomcrats as a whole, polarization will probably not go down any time soon.

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[–] dashnine 2 points 9 hours ago

And the Democrats spew hate about most of America that didnt vote for Hillary. What do they call middle america again? Dumb, redneck, stupid, uneducated, hicks?

Democrats are eating themselves socially and pushing anyone that doesn't 100% agree with their shifting platforms out on their ass.

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[–] crimsonpowder 2 points 9 hours ago

The way our system is set up it will always polarize to two parties.

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[–] havesomeagency 1 point 9 hours ago

Look how hard Howard Schultz is being attacked for his independent campaign, there's some people with serious money who want to keep the system that way.

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[–] Mnstrzero00 1 point an hour ago

With two parties 50%of voters are happy in theory. With a three party system you could have a situation where only 30% of the voters are happy.

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[–] Harambes2016Election -2 points 13 hours ago

Tell that to our government, not us.

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[–] ChickenNuggetSmth 1 point 13 hours ago

Asking the gouvernment to change from within is a long shot. You have to apply outside pressure, so it totally is on the citizens.

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[–] sebblMUC 0 points 13 hours ago

They are part of one of them, why would they change it? Also America needs a huge election system update, this is overdue since Fax, telegram and telephone got invented

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[–] mrsuns10 -3 points 12 hours ago

Uh no that's on us. We need to vote for third parties.

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[–] ice0rb 5 points 12 hours ago

First past the post doesn't help third parties at all

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[–] secretlyareddituser 4 points 10 hours ago

"Crazy" is the *last* thing we need politics to be.

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[–] Senaleb 3 points 7 hours ago

Even people that aren't americans are voting!

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[–] showsinolo 1 point 3 hours ago

Which make people politically active, which is good. People should know what's going on in politics.

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[–] whattocallmyself 1 point 9 hours ago

On the flip side, its made me conclude that voting doesn't make a difference, the winner is decided long before the election. I'll call the next election right now: the candidate with the most media coverage 6-8 months before the election will be the winning candidate.

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[–] J1994R 619 points 19 hours ago

Improved job security for comedians

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[–] JOSimpson 417 points 14 hours ago

I hate the Trump jokes, they've been corny for like 2 years at this point (i did not vote for him either)

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[–] Maxa30 111 points 13 hours ago

Honestly I have to agree. John Mulaneys horse in a hospital is easily the best, and when S&L does it good, it's GOOD, like Deal or No Deal, or the Sopranos but most of the time S&Ls Trump Cold Opens have gotten old

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[–] Static_Frog 67 points 12 hours ago

Saturday and Live?

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[–] CannonLongshot 54 points 12 hours ago

It's a reference (I assume) to when Trump Jr. called it that some time this week.

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[–] Imallskillzy 26 points 12 hours ago

Sounds like some boneappletea

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[–] Maxa30 4 points 12 hours ago

It is SOMEONES Boneappletea, not my boneappletea however

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[–] BeerInMyButt 3 points 10 hours ago

I've been finding SNL's political humor to be totally stale lately. I'm a big fan of the show, but they just trot out celebrities to do impressions of politicians and say the actual things the politicians say.

There is a lot of room for funny, witty, new takes on politics, but SNL seems to be taking the lazy way out and it has run its course for me. Just knowing there are better unwritten sketches drives me nuts.

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[–] Maxa30 1 point 9 hours ago

Yeah exactly. Some of the cold opens they do are great. Like I said, Deal or no Deal from this year, or the Sopranos from last season finale were masterpieces but most are really meh

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[–] BeerInMyButt 1 point 9 hours ago

I think I have developed some kind of long-term fatigue to this stuff. I haven't liked anything with political impressions in a good while, and it might be that I've stopped engaging entirely. The deal or no deal thing felt like a miss to me :/

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[–] ThelowaHawkGuy 1 point 4 hours ago

SNLs Trump pre election (Darrel Hammond) was fantastic, Hammond was a perfect fit. Post election they had Alec Baldwin become Trump, and exaggerate him much cruder than they ever parodied Obama.

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[–] astral_oceans 6 points 9 hours ago

Yup, SNL is just a show making fun of Trump now and it's fucking annoying. I don't watch it, but whenever someone else is at home I just here Trump shit.

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[–] angryanglezz 4 points 9 hours ago

Any jokes/music/whatever about Trump are pointless to me. I get you wanna say something but it’s not gonna mean shit in 10 years. It’s like when people tell me to listen to Suicidal Tendencies in 2019 and they play “I shot Reagan” Like wow

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[–] RussianBot12 2 points 9 hours ago

Jokes" like "Drumpf Drumpf Ass Fuck Putin Putin Something" are 100% about the person who is telling the joke and have 0% relation to the man himself, it must be at least 50/50 to be funny.

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[–] patientbearr 2 points 4 hours ago

Wow I wonder why you feel that way /u/RussianBot12

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[–] HooverDammmmn 2 points 9 hours ago

I agree its kinda dull now. They were funny at first now i cringe.

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[–] DancinginAshes 2 points 5 hours ago

Yeah, they’re all fucking low effort compared to some of the actual satire SNL and other comedians used to do.

It’s basically some smirking dipshit smiling at the audience and going “So, fuck Trump, amirite?” And then the audience shows how unsophisticated they are by accepting that as comedy.

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[–] SalhiBichr93 2 points 9 hours ago

True. All show hosts do is Recycle the same old jokes about the president over and over again. It’s so corny and not funny at all at this point

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[–] BeefSerious 1 point 8 hours ago

I stopped reading his twitter feed also.

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[–] nakedjay 1 point 7 hours ago

The Family Guy Trump episode that aired a few weeks ago was so cringe worthy. It was every dumb internet meme about Trump rolled into an episode.

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[–] patientbearr -1 points 4 hours ago

Wow I wonder why you feel that way /u/nakedjay!

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[–] definitelyTrueStory 1 point an hour ago

Exactly. Overdone at this point. Comedy is all about originality and if there is something not original right now is pretending to be funny when you are just making fun of Trump.

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[–] WonOneWun 1 point 8 hours ago

I think this is one of the better trump bits I've seen https://youtu.be/DGdFd_P4vKA

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[–] Tiller9 1 point 4 hours ago

I watched Colbert on late night for about a half hour earlier this week; the entire time was spent in a monologue about orange man bad. Then his guests he had on discussed more orange man bad. It's like they aren't even trying to be clever anymore.

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[–] ThisNameTotallySucks 0 points 10 hours ago

Anything you can say about him has been said. I reluctantly voted for him and still found the jokes about him funny at first.

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[–] riotguards 94 points 15 hours ago

Just wish they'd use other jokes other than "orange man bad"

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[–] ChuckDimeCliff 20 points 13 hours ago

This man being president, it's like there's a horse LOOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

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[–] Gyrotoxism 1 point 9 hours ago

/r/unexpectedmulaney

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[–] MyBrassPiece 16 points 10 hours ago

Or making fun of every single typo in a tweet like a missing letter in a word. Just not joke material. Its boring.

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[–] ThisNameTotallySucks 8 points 10 hours ago

Not to mention, everyone makes typos from time to time.

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[–] TheShattubatu 3 points 9 hours ago

People made fun of bush's bushisms for years, it's not like anythings changed

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[–] Traetraetraetrae 4 points 11 hours ago

I could be wrong but I've been watching SNL for the majority of the trump saga and not once do I remember the joke being "orange man bad."

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[–] lesser_panjandrum -3 points 10 hours ago

That's because "orange man bad" is an attempt by Trump's fan club to minimise actual criticism of him.

They can't outright deny it when people make jokes about his friends, advisers, and lawyers being criminals, putting his unqualified cronies and family members in positions of power, directly making profit from his position in office, having affairs with porn stars, being Putin's puppet and so on, so they fall back on crying "orange man bad" and claiming that any criticism of him is just irrational hate.

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[–] MajorTom11 2 points 5 hours ago

I'm not sure I agree with that. Sure plenty of people who write "Orange Man Bad" are salty Trump supporters, but as someone who absolutely loathes the guy, I'm at the point where I find the vast majority of Trump jokes to be just annoying. It's the same jokes over and over and it feels like lazy, low effort cheap shots or circlejerk pandering.

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[–] absentmindedjwc 0 points 7 hours ago

You're getting downvotes, but every single time I see "orange man bad" on reddit, it is almost always posted by someone that MassTagger calls out as a T_D user.

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[–] PalookavilleOnlinePR 0 points 5 hours ago

i didn't know people *admitted* to using masstagger.

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[–] MyBurrowOwl -1 points 4 hours ago

Or it's because they are responding to liberal NPC's

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[–] patientbearr 1 point 4 hours ago

Because regurgitating "orange man bad" over and over again is clearly the epitome of independent thought

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[–] **Jhawk163** 2 points 6 hours ago

"Guys look at his hair/eyes/skin/face/speech pattern/hands! Isn't that just so funny harharhar"

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[–] **Allydarvel** -1 points 10 hours ago

Yeah, it's not a joke at all

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[–] **alexschubs** 73 points 11 hours ago

Comic here.

Talking about Trump onstage has gotten incredibly stale and has been increasingly less common over the years. We all know he's a whack job, and often times, people go to comedy clubs to escape all the news and bullshit from the outside world.

Crowds don't want to hear about Trump as much as some comics think they do. It gets incredibly annoying.

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[–] **archaelleon** 80 points 11 hours ago

Yeah. It only works in super-liberal areas, and the laughs/claps you get are different. It's not a 'you wrote something great and you're clever' response, it's a 'yay we're on the same team' response. Doesn't feel as good.

It's like when pro wrestlers loudly state the city they're in to get applause.

"Well listen here Rockfist, I'm gonna beat your ass in the GREAT CITY OF PHILADELPHIA!!!!"

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[–] **alexschubs** 34 points 10 hours ago

You just described an increasing trend in standup known as "clapter". Sure, we agree with you, but if you're a comedian, being funny should be your *very first* priority.

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[–] **Brawndo91** 18 points 10 hours ago

"So my wife and I just had a baby..."

holds for applause

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[–] **BeerInMyButt** 2 points 9 hours ago

honestly you gotta hold for that applause or you'll ruin the next part of your story

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[–] **Brawndo91** 2 points 9 hours ago

I know, but I've seen comedians hold *until* there was applause.

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[–] **BeerInMyButt** 1 point 9 hours ago

sure, there are comedians with awkward timing or weird expectations of people clapping

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[–] **tdasnowman** 1 point 8 hours ago

Sometimes the timing is the bit.

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[–] **BeerInMyButt** 1 point 7 hours ago

yes another true thing

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[–] **Damandatwin** 1 point 9 hours ago

george carlin is my favorite. he had his own viewpoints he wanted to share but he did it in a really funny way. i guess when you master the craft you have more freedom.

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[–] **archaelleon** 1 point 10 hours ago

Yup. I do a small bit of stand up as well, and always keep it to funny stories/observations with a little bit of wordplay rather than politics and current events. Like you said, comedy is a bit of an escape from real life.

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[–] **Randomd0g** 1 point 8 hours ago

"I'm gonna beat you harder than [local sports team] just beat [rival they recently won a match against]!"

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[–] **SquanchingOnPao** 2 points 7 hours ago

> Crowds don't want to hear about Trump as much as some comics think they do

I love Trump and I like when someone makes fun of Trump as long as its actually funny.

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[–] bunggo 2 points 7 hours ago

What's even more annoying is you assuming that we all know he's a whack job.

I think he's a very stable genius...

How about this.... try making fun of Nancy Pelosi or Chuck Schumer, you'll probably see a much better reactiohn.

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[–] alexschubs 1 point 6 hours ago

I don't tell a single Trump joke onstage, much less any jokes about Pelosi or Schumer.

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[–] bunggo 5 points 6 hours ago

My issue is with this:

"We all know he's a whack job"

You are out of touch if you believe this.

And I don't think people mind if you tell jokes about Trump if they are actually funny. But if you are going to joke about Trump, you gotta throw in jokes about Obama, or Pelosi, or Paul Ryan. Funny is funny, but once you show allegiance to a side, it's no longer organically funny.

So, yeah, tell political jokes, but don't filter your jokes. If it's funny, it's funny.

S&L, for example, is no longer funny because they essentially bash Trump and praise Hillary. Baldwin's Trump is so bad, I stopped watching it (this was before I even supported Trump). If they could make fun of everybody, I would probably still keep watching it. But Seth Meyer said "we do a good job making fun of both sides"... and he actually believed that. It was that moment I stopped watching.

If they just made fun of everybody, then I could hop back on board. Take how they made fun of Hillary. They had a young, lovely woman who would make fun of Hillary by... I don't even know how, they just gushed over her.

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[–] weltallic 2 points 5 hours ago

> often times, people go to comedy clubs to escape all the news and bullshit

People would visit certain subreddits for the same purpose.

...only for that subreddit to evolve into a *#Resistance* hub.

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[–] MrJkub 1 point 9 hours ago

I'm pretty sure there just tired of your comedic bullshit.

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[–] alexschubs (deleted by user) -2 points 8 hours ago

This isn't the first time I've been needlessly brigaded by members of the_Donald

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[–] MrJkub 3 points 8 hours ago

You poor poor victim.

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[–] MrJkub (deleted by user) 1 point 8 hours ago

Poor Victim.

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[–] beatkids 41 points 10 hours ago

I would have to disagree. I can’t imagine a worse political climate to be a comedian.

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[–] bunggo 21 points 8 hours ago

Such a good point. Everybody is afraid to make fun of everybody now... the only person safe to make fun of is a white guy (unless he's gay, atheist, bald, fat, super skinny, has facial hair, ugly, muslim, poor (wait, that might be ok) ... don't make fun of any of those guys).

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[–] Barth0lomeo 13 points 7 hours ago

Well that is because leftists have decided comedy should not be made out of jokes.

Do u haff a bizness loicense for diz djok mate ?

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[–] TysonButterbean 23 points 10 hours ago

For bad comedians. Late night is filled with well-paid comedians doing shitty Trump/Russia jokes night after night, but Louis CK, one of the top 3 comedians practicing right now had his career derailed so that everybody could make themselves feel better for supporting Bill Clinton and Al Franken.

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[–] 3kindsofsalt 1 point 5 hours ago

To be fair, they did all say they'd love for Trump to be president so they'd have material every night and never have to talk about anything else.

Turns out, they weren't kidding.

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[–] Radjomb -4 points 7 hours ago

Ever wonder why conservative white males make shitty comedians?

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[–] KashiTheKat 16 points 19 hours ago

here we have a prime example

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[–] spongebob_cool_pants 11 points 12 hours ago

I don't know about that. It's difficult for comedians to top what already comes out of his mouth. Although, SNL (S&L?) Has gotten some good ones in there in the beginning especially with Melissa McCarthy and the guy's name I can't remember.

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[–] BanAssaultChainsaws -2 points 9 hours ago

If you were American, you would know it is "Saturday Night Live" hence SNL. not S&L. Good job.

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[–] spongebob_cool_pants 3 points 9 hours ago

I American. If you were American you'd know I was referencing trump Jr. Good job.

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[–] yeetskeetrepeat420 5 points 12 hours ago

*bad comedians

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[–] wuop 5 points 11 hours ago

I don't think so. GWB was great grist for the comedic mill because it was buffoonery in what was still a reasonably sane world, but Trump's presidency is just grim. If comedy is tragedy plus time, it's gonna take a hell of a lot more time.

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[–] TheSyrianLannister 3 points 8 hours ago

Maybe for conservative comedians, all the liberal ones are still making the same jokes from 2016 and trying to pass them off as original

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[–] crimsonpowder 3 points 9 hours ago

Unfortunately the bar for being a comedian is so low right now. All you have to do is make fun of the president, which is what every other comedian is doing. Gone are they days of people like George Carlin getting laughs while saying unique things that make you think, sometimes radical things.

I honestly groan when yet another UniqueComedian #566 gets on stage to tell us about his take on Orange Man Bad.

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[–] NPC544544 1 point 5 hours ago

Improved job security for DNC late night talk show hosts.

Comedians can't comedy anymore. Just ask Seinfeld, Kevin hart, etc.

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[–] Tacorgasmic 1 point 15 hours ago

Can you explain more about it?

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[–] Bulmas_Panties 1 point 11 hours ago

While funny, it's not really true. Political humor is notorious for aging poorly.

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[–] jarjarkinksXDD 1 point 8 hours ago

Remember little bush on comedy Central?

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[–] kelsoATX (deleted by user) 1 point 7 hours ago

Yeah but only for shitty comedians.

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[–] kittenrevenge 1 point 10 hours ago

He's very cheeto like /cringe

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[–] fourunner (deleted by user) 1 point 7 hours ago

Nah, real comedians have other things to say to make things funny. Though writers, for on TV jokes have it easy.

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[–] pbarnett865 1 point 5 hours ago

Unless its an offensive joke they told 10 years ago!

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[–] John_Smith18 1 point 4 hours ago

Even though they're not funny. Only Trump could pull off that miracle.

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[–] Codoro 0 points 10 hours ago

I just realized the other day that Trump doesn't have an official impersonator and that says a lot about him as a person.

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[–] JALKHRL 0 points 10 hours ago

Ha! try to write something for The Onion. Anyfuckingthing can happen now.

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[–] ChefBoiiz 608 points 10 hours ago

PULLED OUT OF THE TPP, THE DOCUMENT EVERYONE WAS SIGNING BUT NO ONE KNEW ABOUT! FUCK YOU!

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[–] crimsonpowder 438 points 9 hours ago

Should be eye opening that Reddit screeched about TPP for years until Trump got elected and all of a sudden we had people on here that were for it just because Trump was against it.

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[–] ChefBoiiz 167 points 9 hours ago

holy shit. “trump doesn’t want Disney n she’ll to own the world, fuck em”

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[–] NoStatistician4 40 points 4 hours ago

Same way they were anti-war for years and years until Trump tried to pull out of Syria

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[–] RumAndGames 53 points 7 hours ago

We had people here that were pro TPP before he was elected, we just got downvoted to shit.

Which still goes to prove your point about the perspective flipping, but there were dozens of us!

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[–] ZeusKabob 4 points 3 hours ago

Out of curiosity, what are your arguments pro-TPP? I've seen a lot of hoopla about it, and I'm very against the extension of patents and copyright, especially pharmaceuticals, but I want to hear the other side.

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[–] DukeofVermont 4 points 2 hours ago

I can give you some of it. It's basically a counter China move. Without it we basically gave China a lot lot more power in the region and have forced many South East nations to look more towards China than to the US for trade.

The big trade off was mostly about general free trade, which since WWII has created massive amounts of wealth and prosperity around the world. The EU and Japan just had a free trade agreement that looks to save over 1 billion Euros to EU companies per year and eliminated over 90% of tariffs that both nations had in place.

So it would have helped US exporters find new places to export US goods, but it also would have pulled those nations away from China and closer to each other and the US, as it would have been way cheaper to sell things to the US market than to China.

The main thing the US was getting out of it was an expansion of patents and copyrights internationally. While this is very contentious on reddit everyone understands the rights and need to protect the things you make. By expanding and creating one large norm for all countries involved it should have made it much easier for US companies to go after knock offs, fakes, and unsafe copies that currently they can't really go after. For drugs this means that the US drug companies could make money longer, which can (but not always) encourage them to spend more money on research as they know that they can sell and stop illegal sellers for a time, thereby making their money back plus some.

After all it doesn't seem fair for a US company to spend $600 million developing a new drug for some company in south east Asia to just copy it and sell it for 50 cents a pill. This could actually lower US drug costs as instead of having to only charge a few nations a lot to make the money back, the cost could be spread out over another billion people.

Anyway the TPP is/was really really complex, as all trade deals are. There are always winners and losers in every nation but the main idea is to build on what has worked in the past 70 years and keep going in that direction. While many Americans seem to hate free trade at the moment, it is basically the single reason why the global economy is what it is today. Without Bretton woods and other post WWII trade agreements the world, especially the "3rd world" would be a lot poorer today, as in the past those nations basically got nothing.

I personally think it had issue, but was mainly good and you can always work out issues as you go on, plus by the US pulling out it could (importance on could, the future is always unknown) really really help China to more economically control and expand into the surrounding nations massively weakening the US's stance and power in the region as nations now will trade more with China than if the TPP was signed.

In good news though, after the US left the remaining countries took out all the US stuff and have moved forward with it, so in the end the TPP still lives, and might actually be very good for the nations that remained.

Lastly- international trade is very very complex, and a lot of it is planning for the next 30-50 years and not just on what will happen in the next couple, so always take any trade idea or policy and think about the long term goals. Yes it might loose 5k dairy jobs, but if it creates 30k similar jobs... but all of it is speculation and 20 years later is only when you start to see if it was a good idea or if it was a bad idea.

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[–] **seattle_exile 2 points** an hour ago

Thank you for the write up. I disagree with your assessment, but I thank you for taking the time to articlulate your position.

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[–] **DukeofVermont 1 point** 53 minutes ago

yeah, well I fully admit I am not an international trade expert...

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[–] **KingAlfredOfEngland 1 point** 18 minutes ago

As an American living in Singapore at the time, I was pro-TPP due to fears of Chinese influence becoming more prevalent in Singapore and America losing it's grip on the region. I didn't voice those views on reddit, and I didn't ever think that it was perfect, but it was a check against China.

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[–] **DurDurDurkistan 17 points** 6 hours ago

Trump could find a cure for cancer and people would start complaining about how much he's overpopulating the world

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[–] **Weapons_Grade_Autism 7 points** 4 hours ago

My favorite version of this is "Trump could cure cancer and the left would just call him homophobic for not curing AIDS first"

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[–] **stephen89 3 points** 3 hours ago

"Trump put thousands of cancer doctors out of work, worst president ever"

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[–] **Weapons_Grade_Autism 7 points** 4 hours ago

They do this with everything. When the fucking Koch brothers of all people said they didn't like Trump people on r/politics were posting things like "wtf i love the koch bothers now"

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[–] **AtomicLobsters 5 points** 5 hours ago

You just described a good chunk of /r/politics users.

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[–] **so_anon_omg 2 points** 4 hours ago

Seriously I was one of those. I heard about this and I was pumped. I am not a fan of the guy but I'm glad theres *some* good things happening

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[–] **arcosapphire 1 point** 7 hours ago

As I've written many times:

A lot of people wanted some kind of trade agreement to compete against China, but did not like the particulars of the TPP.

What they wanted was not the TPP, but a different agreement.

What Trump did was have nothing at all, which is worse than a revised agreement.

That is why even anti-TPP people were displeased.

It's like if there's a nice park, and then Wal-Mart wants the build on that, so you protest. You are anti-Wal-Mart. Then someone comes in and says Wal-Mart can't build there, instead the whole thing is going to be turned into a rock quarry. Sure, you didn't get Wal-Mart, but the park you wanted still gets destroyed. And then someone makes fun of you for complaining.

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[–] **cameronbates1 1 point** 13 minutes ago

"wait I like TPP now"

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[–] **PMMEYOURDOGPHOTOS 1 point** 4 hours ago

I don't know anything about this

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[–] AgoraiosBum 0 points 4 hours ago

Eh, the TPP was something that got scapegoated, and would have been beneficial to the US. It was about moving cheaper manufacturing from China to states that were more US allies.

I always liked it, and was disappointed when everyone rejected it to sound protectionist.

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[–] brickmack 0 points 7 hours ago

People were opposed to Trumps reasons for withdrawing (isolationism), not the withdrawal itself. He opposed the idea of any sort of trade agreement, not specific terms of TPP itself.

The funny thing is, from Trumps perspective it should have been a perfect deal. It was *heavily* weighted towards US interests/companies. Most of the really shitty parts (provisions on copyright and the environment and suing governments) were only there because the US had previously refused to sign anything that didn't include those, so the rest of the world was forced to accept our terms to access our economy. Once we pulled out, everyone else renegotiated and created CPTPP, which is basically the same thing minus Americas shit. Maybe with any luck, the next president will sign that and America won't have the leverage anymore to force its interests this time

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[–] crimsonpowder 14 points 6 hours ago

Is it really isolationism when he turns around and creates USMCA? He views China as a problem actor so it's not shocking he would pull out of that deal. Genuinely asking.

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[–] brickmack 3 points 4 hours ago

USMCA is essentially NAFTA 2.0. There is no new agreement, just tweaking the parameters of the existing one and slapping a new name on it so Trump can gloat about how terrible NAFTA was an how wonderful not-NAFTA is. And its still mostly motivated by limiting access by the rest of the world. Car manufacturing for example, we now require 75% of the vehicle to be built in the US/Mexico/Canada instead of only 62.5%. Good for Mexico and Canada I guess, but not so much Europe or Asia. Actually, really its only good for Canada, because it also requires 30% of that work to be done by people making at least 16 dollars per hour, which just ain't gonna happen in Mexico (their average wage is 20 dollars *per day*). And it includes a lot of the same shit the US tried to push in TPP, namely copyright extensions

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[–] amopeyzoolion 2 points 5 hours ago

What? The TPP was SPECIFICALLY designed to limit China's influence. Pulling out of the TPP was a gift to them.

Also USMCA is just tweaked NAFTA. NAFTA is fundamentally unchanged.

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[–] seattle_exile 3 points 5 hours ago

It was not, and here is an example why:

I did a BI report on steel for my capstone class last semester. The most prominent findings were:

*South Korea exports almost as much steel as it imports by volume - import in plate, export in coil. This is called “value add”. *The US has more trade sanctions against China for steel imports than any other nation. South Korea is number 2. *South Korea is one of China’s biggest customers. *US Domestic orders for low-grade steel fell sharply after Secretary Clinton’s “Pivot to Asia” speech in 2011. *US Domestic orders for the same grade of steel rose sharply in 2017.

In other words, China was getting around trade sanctions with the US by selling to Korea, who would basically rebrand Chinese steel and sell it to us at cheap prices.

Shipping is the largest variable cost factor in steel - so much so that a West Coast manufacturer does little business on the East Coast, and vice-versa. What we saw was that during Obama’s second term, Chinese and “Korean” steel was still cheaper on the east coast than could be manufactured locally, even when shipping it halfway around the globe and with sanctions.

They were selling to us at a loss. Why? Occam’s Razor says to undercut our steel manufacturing capacity. That’s called “dumping”, it’s against the rules of the WTO, and they weren’t enforcing it.

China has a new free trade agreement with South Korea and Japan. TPP would have put multilateral trade rules in place between the US and Korea. The combination of the two meant we would have had to take that “Korean” steel without remedy or complaint.

Thank God for President Trump.

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[–] brickmack 3 points 5 hours ago

Only in 2018 could someone seriously say getting raw materials for less than they cost to make is a bad thing.

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[–] seattle_exile 1 point 4 hours ago

It’s nkt a new problem. People don’t like it when Walmart comes in and destroys local business by undercutting them either. Once competitors go out of business the prices get jacked up.

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[–] brickmack 2 points 3 hours ago

1. Was China or anyone else undercutting them actually ever a threat to US steel companies? All the charts I can find show US steel production to be relatively stagnant for the last 30 or so years. The only particularly large drop I see is in 2009, which almost certainly is more related to the economy collapsing than to anything China was doing. China's *share* of the

market has grown substantially, but that's because overall demand is increasing (especially in the developing world, particularly in China itself) rather than them capturing existing demand. And from what I can see, Chinas production is mostly in low grade steels, even if they were selling it for pennies per ton its still not useful for a lot of demand

2. As far as Walmart specifically, they have a vested interest in keeping prices as low as possible even in the absence of competition (which is nowhere near the case anyway. Kroger is bigger if you don't count online sales, and Amazon and Target and Costco and about a dozen others are all huge too), because beyond bare-minimum food/toiletries, people just won't buy stuff if they can't afford it. And they don't need to (nor is there any sign that they have) price dump to outcompete local businesses. Very large companies have a lot of options that will simply never be available to small businesses because of their size. They buy their products in staggeringly massive quantities, many of them from suppliers they actually own, their distribution systems are optimized to hell, they can afford high capital expenses for automation, and past a certain point operations scale more quickly than labor (especially the most expensive kinds of labor, upper management). Purely from an efficiency perspective, a state-sanctioned monopoly would be the ideal

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[–] seattle_exile 1 point 2 hours ago

I no longer have the data available, but we had two sets - the stuff readily available from trade.gov, and the non-proprietary data of a steel producer on the west coast (courtesy of one of my partners).

Steel comes in a variety of grades, from basically “pig iron” at the bottom to “tank armor” at the top. It also come in two forms, plate and coil, the latter being easier to ship.

What our data showed us was that sales of the highest tier is almost all made in America. However, it’s a seasonal product almost exclusively for military use. New aircraft carrier = tons of sales, etc. The bread and butter of the industry is in the lower quality stuff, and that market was dying domestically, and fast. That was due to pricing - and the pricing was too low to make any sense considering how far such a heavy commodity has to travel. It can only happen with state subsidies.

My partner told me the biggest problem the domestic steel industry faces is experience. Forging steel is a complicated process that takes years of training. Over the last decade of declines, many experts have moved on to different fields or retired altogether. New recruits are skeptical (and rightly so) of entering a field so dependent on the whims of government policy.

My personal theory - so take it with a grain of salt - is that this undercutting was a national security play. Kill the steel industry so there are no new experts, there will be no new aircraft carriers. No other country makes armor plate in the volume we do. Even if they did, I doubt China would sell us much if that meant more American carriers in the South China Sea.

As to the Walmart analogy, dumping and price-fixing is an age old problem. The British were fantastic at it during the mercantile era. Whether the results of monopolistic “free” trade are beneficial is a worthy debate. Truly! But I doubt we will solve that here.

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[–] Guarnerian -6 points 7 hours ago

People had no clue what TPP actually was. People were going on and on about why it was bad, while here I was just sitting back trying to figure out the bigger implications of it. By not signing TPP it just gives China more regional power. Something which people are starting to realize.

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[–] crimsonpowder 4 points 7 hours ago

It makes sense that the biggest player in a union or agreement would wield the most influence. I think pulling out of it serves our interest of not having untariffed cheap goods flood our markets.

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[–] ArandomDane -6 points 7 hours ago

The media (and people in general) was screeching about a deal of this magnitude being negotiated behind closed doors. The name scared the shit out of people, but it turned out to just be a comprehensive trade deal. By the time Trump pulled all of this was know as the details had been released.

So the TPP was not ratified, instead, the rest made TPP-11 without the stuff only the US really really wanted... Protections to intellectual property. Something that would have made it much harder for China to trade with the Trans-Pacific Partnership.

Had Trump not dropped out of the TPP the US would have stood much stronger in the trade war with China.

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[–] crimsonpowder 3 points 6 hours ago

I'm having trouble unifying what you're saying with everything that I heard about TPP as benefiting only the wealthiest and severely infringing on our rights and privacy. I remember a lot of that language was used to mobilize us to call reps about it and get it stopped and then they tried again (reminds me on SOPA in many ways).

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[–] ArandomDane 1 point 6 hours ago

Trade deal, mainly aids companies, so it is mainly beneficial for the rich. However, this is not a zero sum game so not benefiting the rich doesn't help the poor.

As to the infringement on rights they where all to allow greater enforcement of intellectual property. From digital locks to copyright laws. So fair use would have been in danger, and YouTube (etc) would have had to take every infringement claim serious...

However, the biggest problem was the vague wording on the extent on these IP protections. So the trade deal would have needed revision, but without the US in mix the problematic areas was taken out

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[–] crimsonpowder 1 point 6 hours ago

Interesting. Appreciate you taking the time to write that out. I hope Trump comes back to negotiate a good trade deal for us in that part of the world.

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[–] ArandomDane 1 point 5 hours ago

With the Japan/EU deal in place on top of the TPP-11. I do not see US being in a position to get anything other than joining the TPP-11. It would be very impressive if he got any IP protections in the deal.

I think, the best that can be done in the foreseeable future is deals with with the separate countries, but now entering negotiation with partners that are not as dependent on the US for trade. So changes will be minor as it was with NAFTA.

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[–] crimsonpowder 1 point 5 hours ago

One thing to keep in mind is our ability to throw our weight around due to our diversified economy and economic strength. We're not the little guy in the room.

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[–] flapsmcgee 1 point 6 hours ago

It may have hurt China but it just would have given those jobs to other Asian countries instead of bringing them back to America like Trump wanted (and is doing).

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[–] Grassyknow 3 points 4 hours ago

TPP would've made natural gas prices for US citizens higher. There wasn't much in there that was good for the people

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[–] ArandomDane 1 point 3 hours ago

By making it a lot easier for Japan to buy US gas. So an increase due to an increase in demand. This type of increase in cost are great as they lead to increase in production. AkA jobs and taxes!

Plus they are temporary as once production meets demands the cost drops again. Leaving just more jobs, more sale and more taxes.

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[–] Mom2Rad_Sims4 -7 points 6 hours ago

He is helping Putin and China overtake the petrol dollar and likely being paid handsomely for it. They need to get WWIII started somehow.

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[–] ArandomDane 5 points 6 hours ago

TPP have very little with to do with oil.

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[–] Old_sea_man 3 points 5 hours ago

I'll literally pay for your education if you stop acting like you're an expert on all this shit you clearly know nothing about. Just make it stop.

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[–] StockTelevision 3 points 6 hours ago

Can't believe how little the TPP is being mentioned. This was huge.

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[–] shash747 3 points 6 hours ago

whats the tpp

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[–] FlagrantPickle 2 points 5 hours ago

The TPP was something nobody knew all the details on, but everyone had a strong opinion. There were some very good goals of it, and what resulted in our absence would have been great for us to join. Instead, it turned int a soundbite pariah.

Planet Money did a good episode or two on it, referencing NAFTA from the 90s. NAFTA did good things for us, but in any trade agreement, there are winners and losers. We should have at least been able to see what would have been in it at the end and make an educated choice.

Please note, both parties had members for and against. There was very little in the way of intelligent discussion on this, just both sides (mostly opposed) rabbling.

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[–] **jcks2236** **1 point** 45 minutes ago

What's the TPP

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[–] **QuoOfStatus** **586 points** 16 hours ago

Torpedoing the TPP is probably a good thing in the long term, especially with some of the draconian corporate power shit that was in the agreement.

Fingers crossed that his blustering "you don't tell me what to do" bullshit attitude might actually get US forces withdrawn from Afghanistan and the Middle East over the howling objections of the military-industrial complex.

Hillary Clinton is reactionary and pro-intervention and would likely have the US involved in a major ground war in Syria by this point in her term. I think Trump will eventually lose out to the military-industrial bipartisan foreign policy consensus, as every president has before him, but there's still a possibility he may get the US out of a few countries to the point that it becomes untenable to go back in.

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[–] **SimpleManSC** **217 points** 9 hours ago

Trump is undeniably the most peaceful president of our time, and if things continue this way it may very well be one of the things he's most remembered for.

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[–] **Tupiekit** **110 points** 8 hours ago

I dont like him, but I cant deny that he has impressed me with his commitments to pull troops out. (and then actually doing it)

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[–] **HermanTheKid** **18 points** 7 hours ago

You should probably start limping him then. Or at least start liking utilitarian outlooks.

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[–] **wishusluck** **8 points** 6 hours ago

I think most countries are worried he'd bomb the hell out of them but he hasn't.

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[–] **dantepicante** **14 points** 6 hours ago

Peace through strength, motherfucker!

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[–] **mmmhthatguy** **8 points** 2 hours ago

He's fighting wars through sanctions, literally using the economy to win battles. Someone explain why that's a bad thing compared to invading a country with an army and killing people.

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[–] **wishusluck** **-9 points** 5 hours ago

Peace through potential craziness is more like it...

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[–] **dantepicante** **11 points** 4 hours ago

Let's say you're right - how is that not beneficial? Nobody fucks with crazy.

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[–] **wishusluck** **4 points** 3 hours ago

I'm agreeing with you, not arguing with you.

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[–] **dantepicante** **3 points** 3 hours ago

Fair enough

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[–] **wishusluck** **1 point** 5 hours ago

I think most belligerents know he's just dying to make an example out of someone which is why he's got such strength.

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[–] **shitposterkatakuri** **3 points** 3 hours ago

Like who? Like Iran who kept threatening us? He just ranked their economy and called it a day. Seems like Trump is more interested in letting other countries figure out their own shit unless it has to do with us, and even then he favors economic shackles over bullets and bombs.

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[–] **Sticky-G** -7 points 7 hours ago

Despite generals and local forces saying it's a bad idea.

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[–] **posticon** 37 points 6 hours ago

"local forces" will never say "we no longer need the world's most powerful fighting force."

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[–] **Sticky-G** 4 points 6 hours ago

Can’t argue with that lol. And I suppose the generals are a bit biased as well.

I’m glad I don’t have to decide at what point do I ignore the advice of my most seasoned military advisors.

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[–] **Adhoc_hk** 13 points 7 hours ago

That's fine. They can all complain that it's a bad idea. At the end of the day my brothers life isn't worth being spent on some random in a far corner of the world. When we do get into an altercation, we should go hard, fight dirty, win quick. Not pussy foot around for decades trying to rebuild other people's countries when our own needs work. Our brothers and sisters come first.

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[–] **Sticky-G** 5 points 6 hours ago

I suppose the generals are a bit biased. They only care about winning the war.

It’s the age old debate: help others or protect ourselves. Happening with refugees as well.

The balance is how much risk we put ourselves in. I’ll admit I don’t know what to do about our troops, and I’m glad I don’t have to make the decision.

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[–] **Yolo_Swagovich** 1 point 41 minutes ago

Well I think most Americans that actually love America believe that America should be first in all things. Only when we have secured enough (and some extra) for us should we even consider working for others.

Remember I am talking about the government here, whose only and sole reason for existing is to do 100% that. There is plenty of charitable aid coming out of America we don't need to shoot ourselves in the foot in the hopes of making more.

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[–] **JohnBrennansCoup** 7 points 6 hours ago

Generals like war. More news at 11.

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[–] **Blottergrass** 2 points 7 hours ago

He's very very Nixonian.

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[–] **sjphilsphan** 2 points 7 hours ago

Which is bizarre, but yeah all the stupid shit he's done, and yet the foreign policy relations have gotten mostly better..except for the trade war with China...

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[–] **L2Logic** 0 points 7 hours ago

But 5000 troops to Columbia!

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[–] **Guarnerian** 0 points 7 hours ago

All talk so far, lets hope he keeps it that way.

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[–] **BaconReceptacle** 71 points 9 hours ago

I was ignorant about some of the TPP details until I dug in a little deeper. There were some really fucked up terms for the US. For example, the part about nursing jobs going over to Asian countries. We already dont have enough qualified nurses in the US and this deal would have watered that labor pool down.

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[–] **LetsFreakinArgue** 7 points 5 hours ago

If you take your money from lobbyists, you generally aren't going to make good deals for the citizenry, but the industry which funds your campaigning.

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[–] **QuoOfStatus** 3 points 3 hours ago

It would have established an arbitration process that would have allowed corporations to extract damages from member countries for passing laws that impact their profits. Imagine Exxon extracting billions of dollars from US taxpayers in a secret kangaroo court because they didn't like a new EPA drilling regulation.

Yeah, TPP was cancer. Literally. It would actually give tons of people cancer.

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[–] osan003 19 points 13 hours ago

I'm with you on most of that but we cannot ignore the war crimes being committed there and we do have allies there (the Kurds) that need our help. Withdrawing entirely isn't a smart idea really

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[–] QuoOfStatus 130 points 12 hours ago

There are war crimes happening all over the world. Let the UN handle it, we're not the world police anymore.

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[–] Stupid_or_a_Carrot 18 points 12 hours ago

Yeah the UN has a great track record stopping horrible things from happening...

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[–] InfamousTugboat 90 points 12 hours ago

Our track record isn't exactly pristine either

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[–] BonzBonzOnlyBonz 45 points 10 hours ago

It's not the U.S.'s job to stop horrible things from happening, it is the U.N.'s though.

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[–] ClitNibbler 8 points 8 hours ago

How about the governments or people in the nations where it is happening?

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[–] BonzBonzOnlyBonz 6 points 8 hours ago

Because in some of those nations, it's the government doing the bad stuff.

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[–] ClitNibbler 2 points 3 hours ago

At which point the people living in that country must do something about it. See: France 2018

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[–] BonzBonzOnlyBonz 1 point 3 hours ago

Yeah you are equating a first world countries citizens doing something versus second and third world countries. There is a huge difference.

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[–] Hodor124 4 points 9 hours ago

But it's better than every single nation-state that has ever existed in the entirety of human existence on this planet. American exceptionalism is real, but must be viewed relative to the rest of the world as we are far from perfect. However, just because we are the greatest (so far) does not mean that we need to fix all the world's problems with the blood of our own brothers and sisters.

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[–] CuckedByTRUMP 24 points 9 hours ago

Frankly, I don't give a shit. How long have they been killing each other in the middle east? A thousand years? Are they going to stop? No. Do I want my country to be the world fucking police? No.

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[–] SolidBadger9 15 points 11 hours ago

Exactly. It's not the job of US. Let them fix their problems.

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[–] GetBTFO 6 points 9 hours ago

Well said. Thank you.

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[–] BeefSerious -1 points 8 hours ago

Good, we can slash the defense spending by 3/4 and give the entire populace health care.

No? Oh well.

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[–] osan003 -9 points 12 hours ago

Right, we should just let China, Russia, and Saudi Arabia just ignore the slaughter of innocents and the use of chemical weapons on civilians.

Then the rest of the world will shit on the US for not doing anything about it.

Remember the Rwandan Genocide? Fat load of help the UN was there.

I'd rather my country be shat on for trying to save lives than idly standing by while innocents are gassed.

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[–] **QuoOfStatus** **33 points** 12 hours ago

Have you been paying attention? The world shits on the US every time we try to intervene. If they care so much, they can take it to the UN and the US will participate under UN sanction as part of a multinational force.

Otherwise if they're so offended, they can call their own leaders and go solve it their own damn selves. Where did this bullshit notion come from that it's our job to run around all over the world putting out fires and fixing other people's problems? Y'all fuckin' bitched and moaned every time we did, so you can relax and be free of 'Murican tyranny now.

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[–] **ThisNameTotallySucks** **10 points** 10 hours ago

They'll complain about us intervening and then turn around and complain about us not doing anything. Make up your minds!

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[–] **Conditionofpossible** **3 points** 12 hours ago

> The world shits on the US every time we try to intervene.

Nah. The world shits on us for "intervening" in utterly unnecessary situations.

The world won't shit on us for standing with Japan in the sea territory disputes it's having with China.

The world won't shit on us for letting sovereign nations work out issues of their own leadership.

The world will shit on us if we continue to act unilaterally in ways that benefit no one *but us.*

Don't conflate our terrible foreign policy actions as the only times we've "intervened."

Supporting and strengthening international organizations like NATO and the U.N are good starting points.

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[–] **QuoOfStatus** **16 points** 12 hours ago

> Supporting and strengthening international organizations like NATO and the U.N are good starting points.

So we'll go when the UN says we go. Exactly what I was saying.

As for NATO, well...they can start trying to tell us what to do around the same time they finally start paying their own bills instead of spending all their money on lavish social programs while they relax under the umbrella of US defense.

Sorry not sorry, we have problems at home and cannot fix the rest of the world for you. It's time for everyone else to start learning how to handle their shit without crying to the US.

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[–] **Conditionofpossible** **1 point** 12 hours ago

I think you're missing the point.

We are part of the leadership of those organizations. In fact, we probably have the single loudest/most respected voice in those organizations.

Okay, we *did.*

It's not them ordering us, it's all of us working together.

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[–] **QuoOfStatus** **11 points** 11 hours ago

We threw money at tanks for 40 years because we expected to have to come to the rescue when the Reds stormed the Fulda Gap. US defense spending wouldn't be remotely what it is today were it not for the expectation that we would bear the brunt of NATO defense against the Soviets.

We're to blame for post-Berlin Wall spending, but Europe built their nice little progressive welfare states with the savings from not having to worry about defending themselves against the wolves. You're welcome, Europe.

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[–] **G-Newf** **0 points** 10 hours ago

Oh get off your high fucking horse dipshit, all that NATO spending was for the benefit of the US just as much as Europe. Had the reds conquered all of Europe they'd have been coming for America next, only this time you'd have no allies and a largely expanded, fortified and powerful enemy to fight against. Sick of you Jingoist American fucks acting as though America is some altruistic caretaker; you're not, you only act out of greed and self preservation / self interest. Speaking of WWII you were happy to sit that one out until the Japs attacked.

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[–] **Conditionofpossible** **-2 points** 11 hours ago

> We're to blame for post-Berlin Wall spending, but Europe built their nice little progressive welfare states with the savings from not having to worry about defending themselves against the wolves. You're welcome, Europe.

We were also the only nation in the discussion that did not need *massive* reconstruction due to WWI and WWII (with respect to keeping the "Reds" out).

I'm talking about the tanks we leave out in Arizona because we don't need them (you know, within the last decade).

France helped us become a nation. Thanks Europe.

We literally increased Defense spending by *billions* of dollars this last year. Not because of NATO, not because of the UN but because we keep electing shit stains to congress who insist that defense spending *must* increase, while also not taxing the billionaires.

Europe taxes their billionaires. Literally, it sounds like you're jealous of Europe's social safety-nets, and you should be. We can afford just as awesome healthcare and social benefits, but people keep getting conned by conservatives that the rich need to pay less taxes and we need to spend more on tanks.

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[–] **G-Newf** **-3 points** 10 hours ago

> I'd rather my country be shat on for trying to save lives than idly standing by while innocents are gassed.

The US has killed literally thousands if not hundreds of thousands of innocent civilians, you're the ones killing innocents. Sorry if that truth bomb hurts, the US is arguably worse than Russia and China in this regard.

I hate when Americans think their all high and mighty and warriors fighting for justice... You're not, you're an imperialistic superpower who invades sovereign nations under false pretenses to fit your own selfish agenda.

America is just another villain, albeit a well dressed one.

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[–] **darkk41** **3 points** 7 hours ago

Lmao, the US is no pristine altruistic ideal state but get fucking real dude, that's an incredibly false equivalence.

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[–] **ShadowRaptor95** **50 points** 12 hours ago

Not our problem. The U.S rarely fully understands the conflicts and culture of different groups in the middle east, or the third world in general. We end up making the problem worse off than it was before and pro-long conflict. Let nations solve their own issues.

Use our tax dollars at home, and not abroad.

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[–] **Conditionofpossible** **15 points** 12 hours ago

> Not our problem.

You have allies because you share common ideals/goals, whatever. You don't abandon allies because *other* allies see this type of behavior and that leads to more distrust in your relationship with those other allies.

You treat your allies well, because you want to be treated well.

Moreover, you want groups around the world to trust you because the US has assets and trades across the globe.

Syria might not be our issue *alone* but it is an issue that the global actors need to respond to. We are the most powerful and consequential political actor in the world. Our actions and non-actions have consequences to millions of lives. I don't think Trumps foreign policy has anything to do with other people, it's entirely centered around being perceived as a tough guy.

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[–] **ShadowRaptor95** **8 points** 12 hours ago

Who says I want the U.S to abandon its allies? They can have our support, not our money. We have always been a major contributor financially, its time for other nations to step up.

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[–] **Conditionofpossible** **6 points** 12 hours ago

>Who says I want the U.S to abandon its allies?

> we cannot ignore the war crimes being committed there and we do have allies there (the Kurds) that need our help

>Not Our Problem

Either its our problem to help our allies (the Kurds) or its not.

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[–] **rossimus** **1 point** 10 hours ago

>Not our problem. The U.S rarely fully understands the conflicts and culture of different groups in the middle east, or the third world in general. We end up making the problem worse off than it was before and pro-long conflict. Let nations solve their own issues.

I agree.

Now can we go back to peace treaties with Iran? Tens of millions of people there we can do business with.

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[–] **GetBTFO** **1 point** 9 hours ago

Perfectly said. Thank you.

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[–] Thevoiceofreason420 8 points 11 hours ago

The problem is we have no plans on helping the Kurds in the long run, we either need to commit to helping them and get Turkey to back down or we need to leave Syria now.

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[–] CuckedByTRUMP 8 points 9 hours ago

Nah, we are not the world fucking police. I would like nice roads, college, and better healthcare instead of bombing the shit out of people who have been killing each other for a thousand years. No fucking thank you. I do not want to manage that fight for the next 1000 years.

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[–] LikeAWombatScorned 4 points 10 hours ago

The main threat to the Kurds is Turkey. Turkey is a member of NATO, so they are our ally too. It's a complicated mess over there.

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[–] Ozarx 2 points 11 hours ago

Wasn't the whole reason for going to+staying in the middle East trying to stop terrorism from harming america? The overwhelming sentiment of most middle eastern populations is that America needs to leave them alone. Staying there makes the people we're worried about more angry. Everything that's going on over there sucks, but they made their own bed and it's not America's fault they don't want to lie in it.

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[–] Aconserva3 2 points 11 hours ago

The Kurds were a useful player against Daesh, but the best option is for them to intergrate into the SAA. The US' goal in Syria is not for SDF to storm Damascus. Daesh in Syria has been reduced to an insurgency. Time to pull out. Completely. It'll also prevent conflict with Turkey. Al Tanf is also justified by Daesh. There is no reason to stay there either. The 15 rebels there can surrender and serve.

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[–] Jackpot807 1 point 11 hours ago

We were never supposed to be there in the first place

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[–] ClitNibbler 1 point 8 hours ago

And just like that them democrats supported them endless foreign wars...

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[–] itshighbroom 9 points 5 hours ago

Remember years ago everyone was crying on how we should withdraw our forces, and now everyone is complaining that we aren't keeping them there...it's fucking insane.

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[–] kebo99 1 point 31 minutes ago

The mainstream media has an agenda to get Trump out of office. And college aged sjw's lap up the mainstream media narrative.

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[–] RevisionistMystery 8 points 13 hours ago

> Hillary Clinton is reactionary and pro-intervention and would likely have the US involved in a major ground war in Syria by this point in her term.

This is a crucial point that nobody ever talks about. I'm no fan of Trump, not am I even American, nor slightly right-leaning, but Trump's casual bigotry is by far preferable to the probable start of WW3 that Hillary would have ushered in with Russia.

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[–] QuoOfStatus 36 points 13 hours ago

I know it was over two years ago but I am still really fuckin' salty about the election coming down to Trump and Clinton. What a godawful, piss-poor election cycle. Swap either of them for a golden retriever and the good boy would have won by 20 points.

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[–] Caruthers 11 points 11 hours ago

It's a big reason why I get pissed when New Yorkers bitch about candidates from other cities/states, or generally hold New York above the rest of the country in this past election cycle. YOU GAVE US BOTH SUBOPTIMAL CANDIDATES, NEW YORK.

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[–] QuoOfStatus 10 points 11 hours ago

All I want for Christmas is a 2020 field with NO FUCKING NEW YORKERS. Or Californians.

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[–] swingbaby 2 points 13 hours ago

Even Bernie would have obliterated Trump. God knows the outcome of that, hate his politics, but he would have crushed the traitor.

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[–] RacerX1994 11 points 9 hours ago

Blame the DNC for rigging it for Hillary.

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[–] Dover939 8 points 12 hours ago

Doubt it, Bernie pretty much killed most of his support when he just gave up and said "vote for hillary lol"

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[–] swingbaby 4 points 12 hours ago

I'm saying he would have. Ya know. Had he won the primary and not gotten sleepy.

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[–] RacerX1994 7 points 9 hours ago

> Blame the DNC for rigging it for Hillary.

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[–] ILoveJewsNoReally 6 points 12 hours ago

TIL Bernie Sanders is still alive.

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[–] GetaGoodLookCostanza 0 points 11 hours ago

I think your assessment would be wrong...respectfully saying

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[–] swingbaby 8 points 11 hours ago

Maybe. Maybe not. I'm winging it. But as a conservative woman I couldn't vote for HRC because she's a loathsome c***, and as a woman I couldn't vote for the pussy grabbing scumbag. So I tossed away my vote third party, which I do not regret. But I would have actually voted against my fiscal leanings and felt the Bern if he'd been on the ballot. I wonder how many Hillary hating dems would have done the same. It need not have been huge numbers. Maybe I'm nuts.

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[–] GetaGoodLookCostanza 4 points 11 hours ago

im not well versed in politics to make great statements ..I am also a conservative but a male. middle aged . and I couldn't vote for HRC because she's a loathsome c*** as well...I am not a dem or a republican either..but I align more with some republican stuff. Definitely don't agree with the far left liberals or the far right wingers...so I guess I am kind of an independent island of some sorts. but conservative. But socialism doesn't work from what I have seen...I know this from history...Everybody wants free stuff...but free is never free..us tax paying people pay for it . way to many leeches in society who dont wanna work. just my small take

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[–] swingbaby 6 points 10 hours ago

Everyone wrings their hands when they say/hear Bernie is a socialist of sorts. True, he is. But you and I both know the way our political system works. Each side kneecaps and hamstrings the other so nothing too radical can get done by either party (mostly).

We have socialized some parts of society for the betterment of all. And that's okay. It's criminal that there is a man, woman, or child in the wealthiest country on earth that goes bankrupt instead of going to a hospital, or that doesn't get enough to eat, or doesn't have access to good education. On a human level, regardless of politics and who pays for it, it's wrong if you look deep down into it. I'd vastly prefer some of that (is it $750B/yr now?) military industrial complex money get pumped into fixing healthcare and education for all, than going into the bloated killing machine. And that is from someone who makes the bulk of her money in the firearm industry.

So, if people can stop the knee jerk reaction to the word socialism, and look into what has been socialized and what it has helped (policing, fire, roads/transit, social security, etc) some of these socialist programs haven't been horrible.

Now, because I have said that, the flames of downvotes will come.

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[–] AllahHatesFags 1 point 4 hours ago

After he had already lost.

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[–] Aconserva3 0 points 11 hours ago

Hopefully we'll get better 2020. Please vote Tulsi Gabbard. Especially if you don't support interventionalism

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[–] Jackpot807 2 points 11 hours ago

Honestly this is true

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[–] RevisionistMystery 2 points 10 hours ago

It's certainly controversial, apparently. Every time I check it has swayed between plus and minus double figures.

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[–] RumAndGames 1 point 11 hours ago

> probable start of WW3

That strikes me as *aggressively* assuming the worst. Ramping up confrontation leads to armed conflict *sometimes,* but far from always, and never has between nuclear powers.

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[–] RevisionistMystery 2 points 11 hours ago

Perhaps. That's fair. However, I think it's important to remember this was coming at a time when Putin was getting scarily ethnocentric about Russia and soon followed up with a political assassination on foreign soil, as well as threatening acts of war against America. I'd rather not have called his bluff.

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[–] RumAndGames 2 points 11 hours ago

I guess. I think you could argue just as easily (not that I expect anyone too, I don't think either of us is looking to do a point by point analysis of all things Russia this morning) that empowering Russia by letting Putin get away with whatever he wants emboldens Putin to take more and more and strengthens Russia's position on the world stage, *increasing* their ability to challenge the USA and and the likelyhood of eventual armed conflict.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -2 points 13 hours ago

She wouldn't have started WW3.

You do know that there's more options in international affairs than peace and war right?

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[–] RevisionistMystery 19 points 13 hours ago

Except for the part where one of her chief policies was to issue No Fly Zones over Syria that invariably would have led to Russian jets being shot down or Russia themselves shooting down American planes. You really think neither the US or Putin would have responded to that act as a declaration of war?

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 3 points 13 hours ago

You think they wouldn't have negotiated any exceptions to that rule?seriously?

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[–] RevisionistMystery 12 points 13 hours ago

I don't know, let's review the state of Russia-US relations in the early stages of Trump's presidency to find out?

"US Shoots Down Syrian Jet, Russia Threatens to Target US Planes"

Oh.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 0 points 13 hours ago

Great. That's not"world war 3"

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[–] RevisionistMystery 10 points 13 hours ago

No, it's not, because tensions didn't continue to escalate because Trump (rightly or wrongly) acquiesced to Putin's will. You know, like how hostility works.

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[–] only7inches -3 points 12 hours ago

You mean "Trump kissed Putin's ass until he was forgiven"?

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[–] RevisionistMystery 4 points 12 hours ago

Yes?

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[–] ThisIsTheShitForReal (deleted by user) -5 points 13 hours ago

I think you are both idiots who swallowed a lot of Russian propaganda.

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[–] RevisionistMystery 14 points 13 hours ago

Well, huh, that's the first time I've seen an anti-war take followed by accusations of Putin apologism. Congrats on being unique, I guess.

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[–] ThisIsTheShitForReal (deleted by user) 1 point 12 hours ago

Russian propaganda was putting out that Hillary was planning to start a war with Russia. You idiots believed it.

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[–] RevisionistMystery 3 points 12 hours ago

Cite your source.

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[–] ThisIsTheShitForReal (deleted by user) -2 points 12 hours ago

I am not super duper vested in you believing me, internet stranger.

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[–] Nasty_Old_Trout 2 points 13 hours ago

And I think Russian propaganda is hard to swallow.

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[–] Guarnerian 1 point 7 hours ago

>Hillary Clinton is reactionary and pro-intervention and would likely have the US involved in a major ground war in Syria by this point in her term.

Did Trump threaten to enter Venezuela?

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[–] achegarv 0 points 9 hours ago

Tearing it up without getting anything in return was *ridiculous*. We had an economic encirclement of China and simply walked away from it without getting anything -- IP respect, north Korea solution, etc. etc.

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[–] throwaway_jimbo -1 points 7 hours ago

This belief that the defense industry is pulling the strings on the foreign policy of the United States to artificially create wars for profit is a conspiracy theory of enormous proportions, and the fact it gets peddled here so often is frankly incredibly disturbing.

"military-industrial bipartisan foreign policy consensus, as every president has before him"

That's a pretty extreme comment to make. First off, the defense industry doesn't decide how the U.S. uses force and gets into wars. Just because they stand to benefit from those actions doesn't mean they play a role in influencing them, and Haliburton contracts or a Smedley Butler reference is not nearly enough to draw a trendline. If you want to look at why the United States gets into wars, you can look to the actual policies, strategies, and other justifications that are offered. Even if they are wrong or ill-informed, those things are not simply smokescreens for ulterior motives if you actually take the time to research them. Also, you can look to the enormous bureaucracy that undergirds national security decision-making, and how that bureaucracy would be leaking to the press left and right (as it is today with Trump) if defense industry talking points or individuals were somehow influencing things like NSC meetings and intelligence briefings. Again, this military-industrial complex thing is a conspiracy theory of just the most incredible proportions.

It's also incredibly disturbing to read "military-industrial bipartisan foreign policy consensus." First of all, whether you realize this or not, you are referring to the FIELD of defense and foreign policy, as in there is a field of professionals who devote their lives to working on and studying these issues, similar to how there is a field of professionals who devote their lives to studying marine biology or environmental science. By referencing it in the way you are, you are turning it into a monolith, something that does not entertain diversity of opinion, is dominated by groupthink, and is easily predictable in what it proscribes.

In the way that you are describing it, it seems like you think that intervention is just about the only thing to know about American foreign policy, or the main thing about it, and that the field of foreign policy is always promoting the next intervention. Or that the people who devote their lives to studying war and peace are somehow more likely to get people killed, which makes about as much sense as saying those who devote their lives to studying environmental science usually become climate change deniers. Anyone who actually works in the field of defense and foreign policy also knows very well that there is a healthy diversity of opinions when it comes to issues like Syria or Afghanistan.

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[–] QuoOfStatus 1 point 3 hours ago

The existence of a bipartisan foreign policy consensus since WWII is not a hotly disputed element of American political science. The military-industrial complex is not the sole influencer of that consensus, but it is a major one.

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[–] RumAndGames -5 points 11 hours ago

Yeah, I'm just *thrilled* that the world will just make multilateral trade agreements without us.

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[–] Brawndo91 20 points 10 hours ago

I seem to remember only a few years ago, before Trump was elected and the TPP was being proposed, post after post about how terrible it would be if the US signed on. And I'm not trying to paint you with the broad Reddit brush, but it seems like Trump opposing it has caused attitudes about it to flip.

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[–] RumAndGames 2 points 10 hours ago

Oh I 100% agree. If you have steady opinions on economic issues you *absolutely* watch the massive switch in the conversation. I was always broadly pro TPP and got slammed for it. I've always been a believer in free trade/globalization and low tariffs, and I've seen the conversation about that pivot massively.

The best is, as someone who actually works on the stock market and thus thinks about it *other* than when it's part of a political headline, watching the ever spinning opinions about stock performance, how important it is, what effects it etc. depending on the politics of the moment.

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[–] **Brawndo91** **2 points** 9 hours ago

What kind of work do you do with the stock market? It's always been an interest of mine, even went to school for finance, but a bad job market after graduation led me to take what I could get and now I know more about electric motors than finance...

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[–] **RumAndGames** **1 point** 9 hours ago

Asset management/high net worth retail portfolios.

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[–] **asstalos** **1 point** 8 hours ago

The US's involvement in the TPP and the demands created by the US for it were bad ideas.

Pulling out of it completely means the other nations involved in the TPP can negotiate among themselves for the best deals they want without involving the US at all. Pulling out meant losing any soft power the US had in negotiations.

The TPP was a largely bad idea, but pulling out of it means that it can proceed in a different form and the US has surrendered any negotiating power in it.

Now, I don't dispute that the US should stop meddling so strictly in the affairs of other countries, but pulling out of the TPP had consequences beyond getting away from a bad idea.

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[–] **electrik_wizard** **-8 points** 10 hours ago

Trump killing the TPP is probably the worst part of his presidency...

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[–] **f_bastiat** **582 points** 6 hours ago

1986 (May): Trump voluntarily took over and saved the Central Park ice skating rink, finished ahead of schedule and under budget. Source: Forbes

1986 (September): Trump helped prevent foreclosure on a family farm whose owner had committed suicide to try to save his land. Source: NYT

1986 (October): Trump Receives The Ellis Island Medal of Honor is awarded each year in celebration of "patriotism, tolerance, brotherhood and diversity" (this is where the picture of him with Rosa Parks and Muhammad Ali came from). Source: Snopes

1988 (July): Trump's private jet carrying a critically ill 3-year-old Jewish boy from California to New York for medical treatment. Source: Snopes

1990 (April): Trump called on the family at its home after their son, Ryan White, died of AIDS at age 18. Source: NYT

1991 (November): Trump leaps from his limo to stop a mugger beating a man with a baseball bat

1991 (November): Trump speaks in front of The House Task Force on Urgent Fiscal Issues to discuss the credit shortage in the U.S. and whether it is stifling America's economic recovery. Source: CSPAN

1997 (April): How Trump Fought Antisemitism and Racism in Palm Beach Two Decades Ago. Source: spectator / WSJ

1997 (November): Donald Trump and Mel Farr Team Up to Help Young Detroit Artists Appear at Carnegie Hall. Source: prnewswire

2000 (December): Donald Trump Helps Little Girl with Bone Disease. Source: Clip from Maury show

2006 (October): Donald Trump's flagpole got fined $1250 per day, he sued the city citing the 1st amendment. Eventually they cut a deal ($100,000) that benefited Iraq War Veterans, the American flag and/or the local VA hospital. Source: Snopes

2006 (December): Trump gives Miss USA, Tara Conner, a second chance after she fails a drug test. Source: Fox News

2008 (August): Donald The Benevolent: Trump Saves Ed McMahon's Home. Source: Business Insider

2008 (November): After Jennifer Hudson's mother, brother, and nephew were murdered, Trump sheltered her and her family at the Trump International Hotel & Tower free of charge. Source: People

2010 (May): 6 years later, Trump honors a 2010 promise to use Newton business if he ran for president. Source: weareiowa.com

2011 (November): Trump and his siblings gave a $1mil gift to the hospital that treated their parents. Source HSS.edu

2013 (November): Trump offered a $10,000 reward to the Buffalo bus driver who stopped a young woman from leaping off a bridge to her death in 2013. Source: Fox News

2014 (November): After Sergeant Andrew Tahmooressi was released from a prison in Mexico, Donald sent him $10,000 to help get him back on his feet. Source: IJR

2017 Profile: A Quick Look at Donald Trump's Philanthropy: Health, Human Services, NYC Community, and many others. Source: Inside Philanthropy

93 page list of Trumps charitable contributions over the last 5 years

Donald Trump kept the Harlem Hoops program alive after learning the man who ran it was killed during the September 11th attacks

Barbara Res, at 33 years old became the first women to ever be put in charge of supervising the construction of a skyscraper, when Donald Trump hired her in 1980

Donald Trump was on ground zero after the September 11th attacks. He sent over 200 of his own people to look for survivors in the wreckage

Donald Trump Launches FundAnything, a Kickstarter Clone Meant to Bring Crowdfunding to the Masses

Also, if you missed this thread on reddit, we obviously cant prove any of this is true because its people personal stories about meeting him, but it really reassured me that he is a good hearted person.

https://www.reddit.com/r/AskReddit/comments/5d8zop/serious_people_who_have_met_or_dealt_with_donald/

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[–] **vavavoomvoom9 39 points** 4 hours ago

As a Trump supporter who only started using Reddit recently, I had no idea about that other AskReddit thread about personal experience with Trump. Now I like the guy even more. Thank you very much.

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[–] **cademerryman 33 points** 4 hours ago

It's sad that people want to look over those facts and just assume whatever they want to about him

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[–] **Fthewigg (deleted by user) 1 point** 4 hours ago

If the biography of him on Netflix can be believed, he never paid the company he contracted to do the ice rink (first on this list). I suppose that's one way to keep it under budget. Stiff the "hired" help.

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[–] **Fthewigg -14 points** 4 hours ago

If you can believe the series on Netflix, the contractors who did the ice rink (first on this list) were not paid what they were promised. If true, that's a great way to keep it under budget, no? ☺

Sometimes people bring it upon themselves. He's not being victimized. Maybe folks overreact too harshly, but the reaction isn't coming from nowhere.

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[–] **djm19 -23 points** 3 hours ago

Are you then also going to look over other facts about him? Scam university? Preventing black people from renting? Running a racist birther campaign? Defrauding people of charitable giving to pay business expenses? Draining his companies of money for self enrichment while they go bankrupt and layoff thousands.

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[–] **iamonlyoneman 25 points** 3 hours ago

Scam university: a matter of perspective, and the vast majority of his "students" were happy with their experience

If he had acted in a criminal manner, do you think he would have been allowed to settle like he did? He paid a settlement to make the housing lawsuits go away, as one does.

The birther campaign was as racist as a black car. This question has *still* not been addressed by the mainstream media and there are at least a couple of independent investigations that have detailed how the "actual" birth certificate posted to the whitehouse website was fake as shit

literally everything on your list is exactly one-half a thought deep; complete a single investigatory web search and stop being outraged. Be better than this.

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[–] **djm19 -18 points** 3 hours ago

Lots of people who engage in criminal matters settle or are merely fined. That is a common American form of corporate justice.

>The birther campaign was as racist as a black car. This question has still not been addressed by the mainstream media and there are at least a couple of independent investigations that have detailed how the "actual" birth certificate posted to the whitehouse website was fake as shit

We don't even need to discuss this futher.

> Be better than this.

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[–] **AMasonJar -26 points** 4 hours ago

I don't ignore that he's done some good. It's just that if we look at the ratio, taking into account how much of the opposite he's done and the degrees of severity, I can't say I'm a fan.

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[–] **YakMan2 -12 points** 4 hours ago

It's like he has his piece of shit dad screaming in one ear and his mom in the other.

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[–] **HibiCheese -29 points** 4 hours ago

That's great all these events and actions that he has performed these last 30+ years, but there is an even longer list out there from the other spectrum.

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[–] iamonlyoneman 45 points 3 hours ago

(fails to provide the list)

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 24 points 3 hours ago

When will you be providing your longer, sourced list?

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[–] kinjinsan 17 points 3 hours ago

I'm sure you have that list somewhere. Perhaps in your other coat?

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[–] cameronbates1 1 point 9 minutes ago

Only Patriots get coats

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[–] robosnusnu 1 point 8 minutes ago

To the T_D users brigading this thread asking for a list: you won't believe anything mentioning your MAGA hero in a bad way. Because fake news, right?

But here you go anyway: https://www.theatlantic.com/unthinkable/

There are plenty of other lists just a web search away.

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[–] HibiCheese 1 point 4 minutes ago

Thank you. Tried to find a one that is updated real time, but nobody can keep up.

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[–] The_Greatest_Moose 31 points 3 hours ago

I personally don't support Trump but when people deny the things he has done it really annoys me, just because you dislike his policy doesn't mean that you can call him evil. He has done good and bad things because he is human, no one is perfect or can make everyone like them. BTW I don't support him I just think people should do some research before they say they hate him.

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[–] priviet123 6 points 4 hours ago

You either have a super-human memory or are super determined. Damn

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[–] f_bastiat 5 points 3 hours ago

Just something i put together a few years ago and cut and pasted.

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[–] Blachoo -18 points an hour ago

It's all a ploy from The Donald to get positive press for their daddy. It's comically embarrassing and very cynical of them to brigade other subs.

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[–] lady-lilith 1 point 8 minutes ago

What exactly did you expect in a thread called "What good has Donald Trump done"? An r/politics echo-chamber of half-truths that only support your perspective? What is with people's need to obsessively check people's post history, and point out when they've posted to T-D?... of course Trump supporters are going to participate in a thread like this; they have responses to the question that was asked, whether you like it or not.

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[–] doghorseman 1 point 28 minutes ago

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[–] YakMan2 5 points 3 hours ago

There is nothing in the Harlem Hoops link about Donald Trump, and google just brings up memes without sources. Got anything els eon that one?

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[–] f_bastiat 20 points 3 hours ago

They removed it from their site unfortunately, i started seeing info disappear which is why i archived what i could with the others. Other sites started doing the same, i think people didnt want to be associated with Trump in any way to avoid controversy.

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[–] KAFKA-SLAYER-99 4 points an hour ago

Isnt that depressing

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[–] milhouseisa_meme 4 points an hour ago

You put this thing together and didn't post about his role post 9/11?!??

He paid for hundreds of men out of his own pocket to go through the rubble and search for survivors. He was out there on ground zero on day 2 doing everything he could to help his hometown

https://youtu.be/V4ZfXOil1pk

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[–] f_bastiat 1 point 48 minutes ago

Ill update the list tonight, thanks!

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[–] dashdotdott 3 points an hour ago

The only thing I'd add is that he is the first successful candidate with a woman as campaign manager. To be fair, that would not have been the case if your wrote this before he was elected

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[–] f_bastiat 6 points an hour ago

I think i will touch up the list a bit, i put it together before he was elected and then sometime between then and now i noticed the sites scrubbing his name so i went through and archived what i could and added a few things.

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[–] YakMan2 2 points 3 hours ago

93 page list of Trump's charitable contributions states

> A 93-page list of Donald Trump's charitable contributions from the last five years This list includes 4,844 individual gifts, which add up to more than $102 million over five years. A Washington Post analysis found that the bulk of them were actually free rounds of golf, given away by Trump's courses for local charity auctions and raffles. In addition, the $26 million land donation at the top of the first page was actually from 2006, too old to be counted on the list. Read the full story.

the full story title is

>Missing from Trump's list of charitable giving: His own personal cash

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[–] gothicaly 16 points 2 hours ago

Its never enough eh

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[–] lady-lilith 1 point 5 minutes ago

Imagine people put this much effort into scrutinizing the activities of other presidents before Trump?

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[–] Blachoo -12 points 2 hours ago

No we've had quite enough of the lying and whining.

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[–] Iggy0075 1 point 4 hours ago

Thank you!!

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[–] orangemanbad3 -7 points 4 hours ago

> Donald Trump Launches FundAnything, a Kickstarter Clone Meant to Bring Crowdfunding to the Masses

With the highest fees of a crowdfunding site. How generous!

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[–] YakMan2 -2 points 3 hours ago

Right, that one is just another failed business venture. The Trump Steaks of crowdfunding.

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[–] YakMan2 (deleted by user) 1 point 3 hours ago

>Donald Trump bails on crowdfunding site

Last year we wrote about a new crowdfunding platform called FundAnything, which was most notable for its affiliation with Donald Trump. In addition to being an investor in the site, Trump said that each week he would contribute to new FundAnything campaigns and then promote those selections via his popular Twitter account.

>But a few months later we noted that Trump didn't seem to be keeping up his end of the bargain, having made far fewer donations and tweets than promised.

>Now it seems that Trump is out of the crowdfunding business all together. The section of FundAnything's site that once was called "Donald's Picks," has now been renamed "staff picks." And Trump hasn't made any mention of the site via Twitter since this past March.

http://fortune.com/2014/12/04/donald-trump-bails-on-crowdfunding-site/

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[–] stephen89 1 point 3 hours ago

Trump steaks were delicious.

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[–] YakMan2 -8 points 4 hours ago

I don't see a good way to square the Ellis Island honor Donald Trump with the birther-ism Donald Trump. The fighting racism Donald Trump, with the housing discrimination donald trump.

The article on Barbara Res that you linked illustrates this complexity. Its actual title is

"Donald Trump, my boss: The billionaire developer gave women like me a chance, but he also leered at attractive employees and only let the prettiest secretaries greet guests and serve coffee"

>Every employer I have ever worked for has considered me in terms of my gender. I would say that in that way, Trump was the best of them.

>Is he a sexist? By the late 1980s, Trump had taken to decorating his office with beautiful women. The receptionists and his assistants looked like models. When he had a meeting, only the most beautiful secretaries were allowed to greet the guests or serve coffee. Does that make him a sexist? He certainly hired not-so-attractive females, he just hid them when people were around. Trump was, again, only giving the people what they want. Being gorgeous was just a BFOQ (bona fide occupational qualification) for working the front office.

>To be fair, Trump thought everyone should be attractive, not just women. He was very critical of ugly people, especially fat people, but he never discriminated in hiring them, as far as I can tell. We had plenty of heavy people working for us. However, as I predicted, the overweight contestant on the first "Apprentice" show was the first to go.

>What about the way Trump talks about women? Well, I can tell you this kind of behavior wasn't prevalent until the time he became involved with Marla Maples. He started talking a lot about all the women he was intimate with, bragging about being with top models, movie stars. Then he began talking about women, in public, in terms of their physical attributes. He became very macho. There is no question that he said some very sexist things in front of me, but not to me.

>He leered at attractive female employees. Yet I would call him more of a womanizer than a sexist, sort of like Bill Clinton. Trump says he loves women and I suspect he does, in his own way. But his public denigration of women and his association with objectifying activities like Playboy and pageants have the overall effect of blunting any assertion that he is not sexist, regardless of how many women Trump has hired.

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[–] iamonlyoneman 15 points 3 hours ago

>trump likes beautiful people

IMPEACH THE BASTERD

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[–] cactusbanger 517 points 13 hours ago

He pisses off r/politics every day.

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[–] ComputerMystic 161 points 5 hours ago

There are still people there to be pissed off? I was under the impression that sub was made entirely of bots.

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 40 points 2 hours ago

It is, but the boots are *angry*

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[–] dragosol 6 points an hour ago

It must be really hard to put on your boots when they're angry

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 6 points an hour ago

Damn autocorrect! Does this make me more or less likely to be a *bot? Hmmmmmm

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[–] PM_YOUR_HEELS_GIRLS 7 points an hour ago

It is run by bots from ShareBlue. They ban anyone who reads T_D.

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[–] definitelyTrueStory 4 points an hour ago

Just NPC's

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[–] Jb6464 1 point 6 minutes ago

Any person that still is there is a more robotic follower than anything you could code.

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[–] Cr0nq 1 point 3 hours ago

Bots and NPC's.

Whenever my Reddit Gold is running low, I walk over there and post "Fuck Trump" and I'm good to go for another year.

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[–] **[deleted]** 1 point 6 hours ago

[removed too quickly to be archived]

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[–] **Jovenasoo** -122 points 8 hours ago

Destroying the country to own the libs

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[–] **beefsickle19** 96 points 6 hours ago

literally anything Trump does pisses you guys off so "owning the libs" is way too easy at this point

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[–] **TaysteeTrina** 50 points 4 hours ago

The term "rent free" comes to mind.

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[–] **politicusmaximus** 80 points 6 hours ago

I keep hearing liberals talking about how this supposed destruction of the country... but I'm not seeing all this destruction of the country.

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[–] **BonzaiBananas** 26 points 5 hours ago

if you we are going down as a country. Then the whole world has gone to shit as well.

But the world is somewhat prospering so we as a country must be doing pretty well. People just complain a lot.

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[–] **SuspiciousBrick** 19 points 4 hours ago

You just need to look at the world from inside the liberal media bubble.

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[–] **cactusbanger** 30 points 6 hours ago

lmao

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[–] **NPC544544** 24 points 5 hours ago

I'm just glad ending net neutrality killed me so I won't see the country finally fall.

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[–] **stephen89** 3 points 3 hours ago

How were you alive for net neutrality to kill you? Didn't you die on the 3rd day of the 93 million deaths a day from guns massacre?
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mOSZrNjLuSk

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[–] **chiomegagirl** 10 points 4 hours ago

He does that with what he says, but is he doing that with what he does?

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[–] **TipsyCzar** 1 point 4 hours ago

obligatory

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[–] **lt_dan_zsu** 484 points 11 hours ago

As far as a thing he's done, I support his decision to back Guaido in Venezuela.

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[–] **Troubador222** 188 points 9 hours ago

I am not a supporter of Trump but that move is correct. The regime in Venezuela is destroying the country.

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[–] **DrCocktorPHD** 15 points 4 hours ago

As Communist dictatorships do

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[–] **GreyStomp** 5 points an hour ago

socialist

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[–] **Eats_Ass** 2 points an hour ago

Same results in the end

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[–] newvealand -27 points 6 hours ago

Jesus Christ, this is what Americans actually believe..

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[–] willyslittlewonka 16 points 5 hours ago

What, you're one of those who will post a wiki link of 20th century US coups in LatAm to show that the US is supporting Guaido in order to secure Venezuela's crappy oil to secure petrodollar (despite the US getting most oil from Canada and will be a net exporter by 2020) and because they hate Maduro's extremely successful government?

And yes, while the rot started settling in during the Perez era, Chavez and especially Maduro have crippled the country. You gain nothing by defending them.

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[–] newvealand -16 points 5 hours ago

I'm one of those people who realise that Maduro has the best democratic claim to leadership. Do you refute that? I'm happy to explain my case if you don't already agree.

I'm one of those people who realise that Venezuela had economic colapse under a capitalist government and actually had its greatest economic growth period under its socialist government.

And so forth, I'm playing CS at the moment so can't write too much :p

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[–] willyslittlewonka 5 points 3 hours ago

>I'm one of those people who realise that Maduro has the best democratic claim to leadership.

Why don't you ask Venezuelans that? Chavistas are not a majority and last I checked, the Bolivarian refugee crisis (the largest in the history of the Americas), started long before US sanctions in 2017. The country started unraveling long before Trump.

>Venezuela had economic colapse under a capitalist government and actually had its greatest economic growth period under its socialist government.

This is too much. If you claim that Maduro is operating under a system of corrupted state capitalism, then you need to apply those same standards to Chavez as well. You can't call a brief period of prosperity 'socialism' and the resulting fallout 'capitalism'. Be consistent. Venezuela was never fully 'socialist' but Chavismo, ideology wise, is very closely linked to far left ideologies.

> I'm playing CS at the moment

Please stick to that.

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[–] newvealand -6 points 3 hours ago

...you clearly have no idea what you are talking about.

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[–] willyslittlewonka 7 points 3 hours ago

Do you? You're arguing the US is supporting Guaido in order to overthrow Maduro.

I don't consider the 2018 snap election to be in any way legitimate. Maduro has a past of silencing dissent/extrajudicial killings and, coupled with extremely low voter turnout + CNE controlled by Maduro sympathisers, I don't see good reasons to recognise it.

Maduro follows the same ideology and methods of his predecessor.

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[–] jmdg007 3 points 2 hours ago

> And so forth, I'm playing CS at the moment so can't write too much :p

I'ma stay out of politics but you can wait for the game to finish and then respond

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[–] newvealand 1 point 2 hours ago

I play CS and I sleep

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[–] jmdg007 2 points 2 hours ago

Back when I played more than once a month I would have to take a break at least after 2 games. Maybe why I only got halfway up the ranks

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[–] snaynay 2 points 3 hours ago

In 2012/12/31 - 1VEF -> 0.232USD. Average salary ~3050VEF per month.

In late 2013 -> 1VEF = 0.0000000000000000000000000USD. (Maduro April 2013)

Today -> 1USD -> 248000VES. Average salary some 3000000VES. Mere dollars a month.

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[–] newvealand 3 points 3 hours ago

are you trying to make a point?

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[–] **Dt_ot** 14 points 5 hours ago

Not americans. ALL Venezuelans who have fled the country know it. Get your head out of your ass and stop supporting dictatorial murderous regimes

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[–] **newvealand** -7 points 5 hours ago

What Americans actually believe

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[–] **Supersonics82** 6 points 4 hours ago

You're right. It's all an illusion. Venezuela is doing just fine. Venezuelans are *totally* not fleeing the country, they aren't starving and majority *clearly* loves Marduro.

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[–] **newvealand** 0 points 4 hours ago

They're not doing fine. I haven't suggested that.

Do you think replacing the government will solve that?

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[–] **Supersonics82** 4 points 4 hours ago

Yes, I really do. There's no other reason Venezuela should be doing this badly, other than it being a direct cause of the government.

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[–] **newvealand** 0 points 4 hours ago

Are you aware of the extreme crises and failings of their previous capitalist government? Are you aware that the Venezuelan population is lacking in many of the qualities we take for granted in developed countries, and that this makes it much more difficult to find success under any government?

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[–] **Supersonics82** 2 points 3 hours ago

I'd be very much in favor of the US and other countries helping out. Anything is better than the status quo. Not sure why you're so insistent on keeping it so.

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[–] **CommunistKomrade** 1 point 14 minutes ago

They could help already. Instead they decided to exacerbate their problems and instill a puppet government. Cuba's been helping the best they can with their extremely limited resources, nothing was stopping the US from doing the same. We just prefer to give billions in military aid to countries like Israel as opposed to humanitarian and to places like Gaza or Venezuela who would have no issue being our allies of we stopped interfering.

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[–] **SecretAgendaMan** 9 points 5 hours ago

The people in Venezuela have been starving, slaughtering zoo animals for food, they're pretty much short on everything, and people have been getting sick and dying. Even with all that, the previous regime refused foreign aid, because he was afraid of it destabilizing his socialist regime.

Venezuela had become a living hell for many, many people all because they people in power wanted to stay in power.

Guiado has already announced a plan for receiving foreign aid, and while we all know that it will come down to how they go about distributing foreign aid and allowing humanitarian aid, the fact that this man has asked for help is the first step in the process.

If American intervention doesn't involve American military, and Guiado is accepted peacefully and does what he has promised, then I'm all for it. The Venezuelan people are suffering.

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[–] **newvealand** -2 points 4 hours ago

Why don't we let the Venezuelan people choose that for themselves?

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[–] **FreedomFromIgnorance** 9 points 4 hours ago

That's a good question to ask Maduro.

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[–] **newvealand** -1 points 4 hours ago

>American

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[–] **FreedomFromIgnorance** 0 points 4 hours ago

Ok?

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[–] **SecretAgendaMan** **5 points** 4 hours ago

Oh yes, I'm sure that would work out fine.

No totalitarian government has *ever* rigged an election before, and certainly, Maduro, the previous president of Venezuela, would never do such a thing. Oh wait.

https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/2018_Venezuelan_presidential_election

The whole election was a clusterfuck, and most of the Venezuelan people did not vote because they didn't trust the electoral process and they knew they were probably going to go hungry anyway.

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[–] **newvealand** **0 points** 4 hours ago

Read that wikipedia page. Maduro clearly had majority support with those who didn't vote.

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[–] **SecretAgendaMan** **5 points** 3 hours ago

Either you misread the page or you're flat out lying for some reason.

> In a January 2018 poll surrounding the presidential election, Meganalisis stated that only 29% of respondents desired to vote in the elections and 72.5% stated that they did not trust the CNE electoral body. Those who chose not to vote had various reasons; 45% believed that even if they voted, hunger would continue, 20% believed it was a "waste of time", and 13% believed that the opposition had betrayed the country. As for the support of political parties, 81% stated that they were not part of any party, 12% were part of the government PSUV party, and 6% supported the opposition-led MUD.[107][108]

This was preceded by a movement back in 2016 to get Maduro removed from office.
https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presidency_of_Nicolás_Maduro#Recall_referendum

The Recall referendum had enormous support

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[–] **ElectrostaticSoak** **2 points** 4 hours ago

They are. They literally caused an uprising by themselves. They proclaimed a new government based off their constitutional rights and millions marched in their streets. What they need now is for world governments to recognize Guaido's claim so they can push Maduro out. If everyone turns a blind eye to their situation, Maduro has no reason to step down.

The US is not staging a coup. They (and so many others) expressed their support for a government change. Whether they have their own agendas or not is irrelevant, the upsides of allowing foreign help far exceed the downsides of sitting down and allowing Maduro's regime to continue.

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[–] **L2Logic** **14 points** 7 hours ago

Bernie thinks it's neoimperialism.

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[–] **lt_dan_zsu** **0 points** 5 hours ago

Should this change my opinion?

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[–] **L2Logic** **2 points** 5 hours ago

On what? It depends on what opinions you hold, and how strongly.

If you think that Bernie is strong on foreign policy, especially Latin American policy, but you also think that the US absolutely made the right call, then you might have some thinking to do.

If you don't fall into a particular set of pre-existing opinions that are inconsistent with that fact, carry on.

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[–] **nickelchrome** **-1 points** 6 hours ago

Whether it has a good outcome or not it is neoimperialism, that's not even an opinion it's a hard fact.

You are backing an opposition government for takeover, using international pressure, sending troops to neighboring countries, and god knows what intelligence level operations.

Ultimately you're going to prop up someone who will pave their way for American companies to step in and profit.

Again it may be good for the people of Venezuela but call it what it is.

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[–] **CommunistKomrade** **1 point** 6 minutes ago

That's already been essentially confirmed by John Bolton when he discussed how advantageous it'll be for American oil companies to be able to do business in Venezuela.

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[–] **L2Logic** **-1 points** 4 hours ago

First, not all foreign intervention is imperialism. It could be, or even become, imperialism, but that's not known *a priori* from any intervention. There needs to be follow up exploitation and control.

>You are backing an opposition government

There are two governments: one that is constitutional, and one that has an army. When one government is stealing billions while people starve on the streets, I don't think it's wrong to back the legitimate government that's trying to restore justice.

And let's talk about the extent of the backing so far: there are no troops, and there are economic actions against the corruption of specific people and companies in places that aren't Venezuela.

>sending troops to neighboring countries

Unconfirmed, but perfectly reasonable. If the illegitimate government seizes the US embassy, the US should be in a position to respond. Deploying troops to neighboring countries is a strong deterrent.

>Ultimately you’re going to prop up someone who will pave their way for American companies to step in and profit.

I think everyone is a little more concerned with mass starvation and the refugee crisis.

There's no guarantee what the legitimate government will do. But they are democratically elected. Personally, I find it hard to believe they'll still want socialism.

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[–] **TheBarracuda99** **5 points** 2 hours ago

> First, not all foreign intervention is imperialism

Bolton has been specifically quoted as saying that the ultimate goal in Venezuela is to have American companies controlling the oil there.

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[–] **nickelchrome** **1 point** 4 hours ago

There doesn’t need to be follow up of exploitation and control.

Simply defined Imperialism represents and extension of power to gain political influence through diplomatic or military means.

The US stands to gain regional influence by supporting and intervening in Venezuela. They have already exercised obvious diplomatic influence, and it is safe to assume there have been covert/intel level interventions as well.

I’m not here to debate the moral implications or outcomes. When someone calls this neoimperialism it’s a factual representation, regardless of the connotation you might disagree with.

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[–] **chiomegagirl** **2 points** 4 hours ago

We have about two dozen contract programmers in Caracas, and they are hugely happy with this. They're all doing pretty well since half their pay is in US dollars and the lead buy just bought a new BMW X5, but they think this will help.

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[–] **Mom2Rad_Sims4** **0 points** 6 hours ago

This is the first one that isn't just someone's opinion. I agree.

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[–] **CordageMonger** **-3 points** 6 hours ago

You really shouldn’t.

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[–] **T-A-W_Byzantine** **-4 points** 7 hours ago

I support the decision, but I question the motives; I believe Bolton has said "The end goal is to get Venezuelan oil being produced by American countries." Also, it seems like an easy way to drum up another red scare to discredit the social democrats in congress.

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[–] **victorh255** **431 points** 11 hours ago

Addressing the espionage and trade threat posed by China.

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[–] **KfatStacks** **5 points** 3 hours ago

Didn’t he let ZTE off the hook?

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[–] **apple_teacher** **4 points** 3 hours ago

I find it amusing how that's a huge story her in Seattle, but still people don't give him credit.

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[–] **pigeonwiggle** **1 point** 3 hours ago

because of huawei, and the exec in vancouver?

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[–] **WhatAWatch** **1 point** 3 hours ago

"EVERYONE KEEP YOUR EYES ON RUSSIA" - Chinese propaganda

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[–] suprem3_d4d 402 points 13 hours ago

Urban housing development act

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[–] Aconserva3 24 points 11 hours ago

This urban housing guy should be the next president

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[–] crimsonpowder 13 points 8 hours ago

Not a bad idea. I've noticed the left hates him, which is pretty racist.

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[–] apple_teacher 3 points 3 hours ago

He went to public schools in Detroit then to Wayne State and later became Director of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins for almost thirty years. That's a hell of an accomplishment. I'm proud of going from a poor high school in Seattle to getting my teaching degree and being the first person in my family to go to college, but his accomplishments are on an entirely different level.

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[–] 1982throwaway1 2 points 4 hours ago

I don't hate him but I think he's somewhat insane. With his theory about the pyramids being used by Joseph to store grain, I find it very hard to believe that anyone could take him seriously.

He's also told some stories about himself flying into a blind rage a few times (also hard to believe because the man is like a living xzanax commercial) when he was younger.

And yes, I know the man is a neurosurgeon.

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[–] TheSoviet789 9 points 8 hours ago

Ben Carson? He tried.

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[–] giveen 6 points 7 hours ago

Okay I love Ben Carson, and he is a good Christian man, but even though we share common values and beliefs....he is a bit crazy for my opinion, though I originally wanted to vote for him as President.

Gen. Matthis is who should be President.

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[–] monkeyviking 18 points 7 hours ago

Mattis is GREAT as a General, but he is a Bush style NWO globalist through and through. I can not in good conscience cast a vote for him. Excellent fucking General though.

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[–] giveen 7 points 7 hours ago

I'm a pretty big support of isolationism in as much as possible, in the sense that America should only be dependent on itself.

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[–] Mom2Rad_Sims4 3 points 6 hours ago

This is totally backwards though. Also unsustainable. But I guess we can just wait until the next world war and get dragged into it anyway.

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[–] ConfidentJoke 3 points 6 hours ago

It's perfectly sustainable, you have an enormous agricultural backbone, the largest untapped energy reserves on the planet, and as automation costs come down you can cast off the shackles of outsourced totally-not-slavery

The US and Australia have a real chance at full-blown isolationism. To hell with globalism; be the last men standing during the next black monday

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[–] gideonbayle 2 points 6 hours ago

a new monroe doctrine is what we need

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[–] gideonbayle 5 points 6 hours ago

This guy knows.

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[–] Goasupreme 1 point 4 hours ago

I like Mattis but some of his quotes are on a fine line between badass and unhinged

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[–] snaynay 1 point 4 hours ago

50/50 - Worth a punt.

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[–] TylerHerz 7 points 7 hours ago

Lets just make him the designated survivor Kiefer Sutherland style.

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[–] Spectre1957 393 points 10 hours ago

Stopped Hillary from being Pres.

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[–] littleirishmaid 95 points 9 hours ago

1 answer.

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[–] TaysteeTrina 9 points 4 hours ago

I think it is too. I want a woman president, but I didn't want it to be her.

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[–] El_Cochinote 5 points 5 hours ago

Amen. A choice between incarnate evil and a buffoon? I didn't vote for him but still glad we have the buffoon.

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[–] SpacemanTy 14 points 5 hours ago

Can you explain how a multi-billionaire, international businessman who ran for President of the most powerful nation on earth and won easily on his first attempt is a buffoon? Im genuinely curious how people sitting on reddit making 50k a year in an office job can call the President an idiot lol.

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[–] El_Cochinote -9 points 4 hours ago

I'm a business owner (two businesses, actually) and I do a little better than the figure you mentioned. In fact, that buffoon's tax cuts benefitted me greatly (about 12% more in my pocket now). I've never bankrupted a business which makes me an infinitely better person and business person than that buffoon. Finally, I live in Michigan and Michigan and Wisconsin elected Trump (he doesn't win without them). The votes that won that buffoon the election were from my neighbors, friends and even family. They'd have voted for a goddamn literal jackass rather than Hillary. It wasn't because they had any affinity or respect for the bufffoon..she was absolutely unelectable in the heartland. Don't blame those heartland / rust belt swing votes that voted Trump. Blame the DNC. They'd have voted Bernie if the DNC hadn't fucked Bernie.

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[–] chantastic 16 points 4 hours ago

> I've never bankrupted a business which makes me an infinitely better person and business person than that buffoon.

The fact that you think this actually makes you a buffoon.

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[–] SpacemanTy 7 points 4 hours ago

All I got out of that is that OP is neither a billionaire nor the President LOL

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[–] El_Cochinote 1 point 4 hours ago

Do tell....

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[–] littleirishmaid 6 points 3 hours ago

Out of the hundreds of businesses he has, a couple went bankrupt. That's pretty good in the business world.

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[–] cameronbates1 1 point a minute ago

Even then, chapter 11 is just a restructuring. It allows lower operating costs, no lay off, and continuing of operations while they pay off debts and get their shit together.

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[–] El_Cochinote -3 points 3 hours ago

There is never any moral or ethical excuse for any person much less a business to go bankrupt. Bankruptcies are the result of borrowing or using money and signing a contract to pay it back and using the legal system to reneg on those contracts thereby burning the people who trusted you and your signature. It doesn't matter whether it's person or business or one or ten of several hundreds of businesses that a person owns. There is legal precedence for bankruptcies but never, ever moral or ethical justification. The legal precedence and process is only to let the scoundrel discharge their obligations in an organized way. Most of the world doesn't allow bankruptcies and it's a damn shame that the US does so liberally.

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[–] littleirishmaid 2 points 3 hours ago

Then blame the law that allows it, not the one who follows the law.

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[–] El_Cochinote -3 points 3 hours ago

Just because a law allows you to do something immoral or unethical does not allow you to escape from being called immoral and unethical. And to claim that he used bankruptcy laws since they do exist and therefore are part of the “level playing field” for businesses is horrifying, maddening and disgusting. Their is never any moral or ethical excuse for discharge. Ever.

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[–] littleirishmaid 1 point 3 hours ago

What about medical bills that can’t be paid because you were sick and lost your insurance.

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[–] El_Cochinote 0 points 3 hours ago

You still took on the debt, benefitted from the service and signed that you would pay if your insurance did not. I knew someone would throw this out there as it’s the only scenario where one might think discharge is an option but I’ve personally seen medical bills negotiated after the fact and the amounts that the providers are willing to reduce are usually staggering and they typically offer reasonable and extended payment plans if you approach those negotiations correctly.

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[–] littleirishmaid 1 point 3 hours ago

To back to your original issue, we voted for President, not the second coming of Jesus. Everyone is a sinner, even you.

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[–] cameronbates1 1 point 2 minutes ago

The fact that you don't know what Chapter 11 bankruptcy entails makes me doubt your claim. At best, you have 2 Etsy stores you use to make custom keychains.

"Hurr Durr he went bankrupt 5 times he's dumb"

5 went into restructuring, the other 495 have been successful. You better wish you had an over 99% success rate of starting a business.

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[–] Lollipoprotein 2 points 2 hours ago

Serious question, why is she seen as so bad?

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[–] 3kindsofsalt 1 point 5 hours ago

Good enough

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[–] Spectre1957 (deleted by user) 0 points 4 hours ago

Thank you for the Gold.

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[–] N1NJ4W4RR10R_ 388 points 13 hours ago

Brought Media's manipulation of the public into the light.

Whether through "Russian bots", or through the media lying/slandering him/the US govt while he's been POTUS.

I doubt anything will happen with it until he's out of office, but it's brought it into the light which is absolutely important... companies/countries shouldn't be able to trick people so easily, companies shouldn't be able to blatantly manipulate people.

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[–] whocaresguy 85 points 10 hours ago

Ron Paul in 08 opened my mind a lot. Losing feeds and placing him below or above where he should be or leaving him out in general. Things have gone turbo with Trump. Just look at the last few wks with Buzzfeed Covington and that supposed hate crime in Chicago in minus 20 weather.

I can never really watch the news again without really distrusting them unfortunately.

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[–] SweetDig 9 points 7 hours ago

I remember all of those record breaking money bombs, filled stadiums and waiting with anticipation for the news to report it. It was surreal watching the blatant censorship and manipulation.

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[–] whocaresguy 6 points 7 hours ago

Oh man I forgot about the money bombs. We were lime kids looking for the corporate medias approval haha

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[–] Z01dbrg 4 points 6 hours ago

89 seconds in a debate :(

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[–] NPC544544 6 points 5 hours ago

Don't forget that blue eyed white guy that killed a little girl that turned out to be the moms drug dealers.

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[–] Caruthers 8 points 11 hours ago

I think he's done far more damage to journalism than anything. It would be one thing if he was just a paranoid fuck who said all news was Fake News. Wouldn't be ideal, but would at least make everyone have to think about their info sources.

Instead, for Trump, it's FOX News is real news, and everything else is Fake News. That is super, super damaging, and a lot of people believe it.

I will say this presidency has spotlighted the need for our K-12 system to introduce some sort of class or at least emphasis in a class on information literacy.

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[–] Lethalstorm 157 points 11 hours ago

>I think he's done far more damage to journalism than anything.

I disagree. I think biased journalism has done far more damage to journalism. His presidency has spotlighted the need to get information from multiple sources on any political news.

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[–] tricks_23 132 points 10 hours ago

The Covington School story highlighted this so much.

"Terrible kids wearing hats smirk at Native man, intimidating him"

But selectively ignore the vile things being shouted by the Black Israelites in favour of demonizing hat wearing kids.

I'm not a fan of Trump, but the full length video perfectly demonstrated the media bias against him and his supporters.

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[–] Panic_Hoedown 21 points 9 hours ago

When that showed up in the news, I was already acclimated to resisting knee jerk reactions and getting all the info first. Everyone needs to do that.

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[–] karmalizing 6 points 4 hours ago

That's just not how it works though.

Most people are followers, we've essentially evolved that way to put the smartest and toughest in charge and everyone else just follows their lead.

The issue now is the divisiveness between the leaders of the Media and Trump. People tend to follow one or the other.

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[–] Sticky-G -2 points 7 hours ago

"Leftist" media was extremely quick to show the new video and explain the situation.

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[–] RustyBaconSandwich 9 points 4 hours ago

That was actually the old video.

The new video is the one they edited to make the kids look bad.

Absolutely disgusting that they would try to destroy that young man's life. I wish him luck with his lawsuit.

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[–] Sticky-G -1 points 3 hours ago

One went viral first via tweet. It's not like CNN built this narrative themselves.

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[–] tricks_23 1 point 2 hours ago

It's not a case of Twitter vs CNN, it's the fact that the video was deliberately manipulated to try and cause a stir over something (a fucking smirk!) and again, *deliberately* omitted actual hate speech by others to push an agenda of anti-Trumpism. It's fucking wrong. It's like showing the Jews going on trains and pushing a narrative of how nice the Nazis were for taking them on a nice holiday. (I know that is an extreme and not particularly a great comparison, but the principle remains that it was misleading)

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[–] Sticky-G 1 point an hour ago

I'm saying a random on twitter posting a misleading angle is not the same as a major "news" website infowars doctoring a video and having it be reposted by the press secretary.

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[–] Ratchet1332 -21 points 9 hours ago

But at the same time the media has everyone convinced the kinds are innocent Ángels while video of them shouting rape apologia has come out but nobody seems to be talking about or, nor the fact that everyone's not addressing the still-racist tomahawk chop chant *as well as* the fact that the Black Israelites has nothing to do with the native guy.

Because they hired a PR firm.

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[–] **residue69** **14 points** 9 hours ago

>while video of them shouting rape apologia has come out

Post a link to that video.

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[–] **danielkiwi13** **1 point** 3 hours ago

He watches Fox News regularly...

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[–] **Caruthers** **-13 points** 10 hours ago

The president has called climate change Fake News. I think you're giving him just a biiiiiit too much credit.

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[–] **GetBTFO** **12 points** 9 hours ago

It gets a bad wrap because the people pushing it are giving it a bad name. 10 years ago it was GLOBAL WARMING, and that the Earth was going to continue heating up due to humans, and we would all be dead by now.

Now that these people were wrong, now it's "Climate Change". I think conservatives agree, the climate does change, indeed. It has for millions of years. Are humans impacting that climate change? Probably. Is it on a negative scale where we are all going to end up dying, like all "global warming" pushers made it out to be? No.

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[–] **DoesNotTreadPolitely** **8 points** 9 hours ago

He calls out Climate Change alarmism as fake news, considering you have elected officials on the other side saying the world will end in 12 years due to Climate Change he sounds pretty sane.

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[–] **hangoverDOTTED** **-5 points** 8 hours ago

No. That's not what he says. He calls Climate Change fake news, not alarmism.

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[–] **Mynametisofthee** **6 points** 7 hours ago

This reminds me of something someone said during the election: His (Trumps) supporters take him seriously but not literally;whereas his opponents take him literally but not seriously.

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[–] **hangoverDOTTED** **0 points** 7 hours ago

I tend to think that words have meaning but sometimes we say the wrong things. We shouldn't misrepresent what someone says and thinks, but in this case, Trump has been fairly clear on what he thinks.

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[–] **DoesNotTreadPolitely** **0 points** 4 hours ago

See if you can follow this, I personally think Climate Change is real (the climate has been changing since the world has formed) but I don't believe human activity is having a disastrous effect on climate and that we have x number of years to stop/fix our ways or there will be apocalypse. I think that kind of Climate Change/Global Warming is a scam to justify more needless government regulation. I think Trump believes the same.

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[–] **hangoverDOTTED** **1 point** 4 hours ago

You can think that. But that isn't Trump's position.

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[–] **zorrohorror** **35 points** 9 hours ago

You know who hurt journalism the most? Them-fucking-selves. They laid off huge amounts of staff, because they didn't know how to keep monetizing their product in the switchover to electronic news consumption over newspapers. Then they just let "citizen-journalists" and facebook take over and dominate a large portion of the news cycle and process.

And now they bitch and moan about fake news, when it had to come from SOMEWHERE. It's sad that there are only a handful of newspapers that are nationally relevant, to the point that it looks like a cabal. People trusted news when there were varying levels of locality, they had a statewide (usually state capital newspaper), local news, local newspaper and national newspapers and news networks. Now it's basically CNN/MSNBC/Fox and huge corporations that own large swaths of local stations and newspapers exerting influence.

They did it to themselves, because profit is all that drives the fucking news in this country. Honestly, every news outlet is thrilled about Trump because they actually become more profitable even (especially) if they're left-leaning.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 24 points 9 hours ago

Trump has called out Fox when he felt they were being inaccurate. Anyway, the mainstream corporate media peddles opinion pieces as facts. This is unacceptable.

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[–] Gmen9256 22 points 11 hours ago

He recently called a Fox News segment "Fake News"

https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2019/01/27/donald-trump-criticizes-fox-news-border-wall-coverage/2697777002/

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[–] hangoverDOTTED 0 points 8 hours ago

Because it was critical of him.

I'm not the above guy but I think Trump said it best hiimself. He thinks any news critical of himself is fake news and anything promoting him was news. It doesn't matter if it is true/false, only if it is critical or non-critical.

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[–] Goasupreme 3 points 4 hours ago

Read more, he didn't call Fox News or the segment fake news

> @johnrobertsFox and @GillianHTurner @FoxNews have even less understanding of the Wall negotiations than the folks at FAKE NEWS CNN & NBC!"

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[–] funny_bunny_mel 18 points 11 hours ago

My district actually teaches on how to distinguish fact from opinion and real vs fake news starting in about 4th grade. I can't say all of them do, but at least some are sensitive to the need for the next generation to be able to analyze what they're being told, even by trusted sources.

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[–] Caruthers 7 points 11 hours ago

That's good. I think Journalism should be a required course in which, for example, students are asked to critically watch a different news broadcast each week and interpret it, or compare coverage of an event across a handful of different outlets etc.

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[–] buddythebear 9 points 10 hours ago

It's always bothered me that high school English classes almost always focus on reading fiction books and writing in an academic style. It would be great if one year, the English class focused on non fiction/journalism, and also approached it from the angle of media literacy and how to think critically about the news you consume. Not to mention that the writing style used in journalism is far more applicable in the "real world" compared to the stilted form academic writing that is traditionally taught in English classes.

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[–] funny_bunny_mel 3 points 10 hours ago

My daughter took a poli-rad course last semester in which, as a political science credit, they were exposed to members of various radical groups who were invited in to present to the students their viewpoints and take questions. While the students were respectful of their guests, not many guests survived the Q&A session without resorting to 'because I / the Bible said so'. Needless to say, the students were less than impressed by this 'logic' for why they should think / act / vote a certain way in the face of their reasonable questions and concerns about climate change, women's reproductive health and rights, lgbtq rights, healthcare, student loan debt, and anything else that might impact a young adult about to be fully-fledged, even if they agreed with the speaker's points. They were much more open to people who were at least willing to engage in full discourse and based their opinions on verifiable facts. Those people gave them something to chew on for some maturity in their thinking and understanding of our similarities as well as our political differences.

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[–] InuGhost 9 points 11 hours ago

While I do agree with you for the most part, there is some truth to 'Fake News'. In so far as stories being sensationalized before all the facts are gathered.

Best example I can think of is the 'Super Dome' during Hurricane Katrina.

News sources were reporting: rape, murder, theft, etc. Then contact was re-established and turns out there had been no rape, no murder.

So i wouldn't mind if we got back to a gather all the facts then report the story narrative as opposed to the current get the story out first and worry about facts later.

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[–] karmalizing 1 point 4 hours ago

If it bleeds it leads. You need to understand the media will try to make everything look like it should make you be hysterical / emotional, because they have a profit motive to do so.

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[–] Caruthers -1 points 11 hours ago

Of course there are elements of bad or corporate journalism out there. Most networks/outlets have corporate interests which can affect their bend a bit. We've always needed to watch and read news critically.

But the amount of discord Trump has sewed between the people and the press, to the point of labeling the press the Enemy of the People, is extremely unhealthy for democracy. And the extent to which he's favored Fox News—which even prior to Trump's presidency was as or more egregious in its particular slant than any network—is just propaganda proliferation.

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[–] Arrow26 7 points 8 hours ago

He has clarified several times that the "fake news media" is the enemy of the people.

This is true, whether you like it or not.

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[–] InuGhost 1 point 11 hours ago

Very true and I totally agree with you.

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[–] CuckedByTRUMP 8 points 9 hours ago

> I think he's done far more damage to journalism than anything.

LUL, when you think that CNN or FOX hires journalist. Buddy, the companies are owned by billionaires who push the agendas they want pushed. It's a big fucking club and you aren't invited.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 7 points 10 hours ago

Ewwww.....are you a buzzfeed writer by chance?

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[–] johnDAGOAT721 7 points 10 hours ago

he talked shit to fox too ya know caruthers?

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[–] redneck_guru 2 points 6 hours ago

Required classes in civics would be much better. Many people in the media as well as citizens think you change laws and policies by screaming about them in the streets and attacking each other.

Even requiring daily Schoolhouse Rock would be beneficial.

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[–] crimsonpowder 1 point 9 hours ago

He praises fox too much, I will concede, but fox sucks as well. If you're watching a major news network that's owned by one of the big 6 (possibly fewer by now), have a salt shaker next to you.

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[–] covertpetersen 2 points 11 hours ago

You can't slander somebody by holding them accountable for their words and actions, that's not how this works.

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[–] fong_hofmeister 9 points 9 hours ago

We can take your words and actions and twist them and hold you accountable if you're cool with that.

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[–] N1NJ4W4RR10R_ 1 point 2 hours ago

You can, however, take someone's words and twist them into something that doesn't fit the original intention.

The news loves controversy, and they feed that controversy to what they see as the masses. Masses don't like Trump? They're doing their best to make him seem like a tool.

Same could be applied to any politician. Trump's just generally a good example here because of how often the news goes after him, the stuff about "Fake news" almost certainly has a part.

*The guy absolutely does stuff to deserve it. But the states haven't imploded so I'm pretty sure he isn't some super Nazi like the news would suggest.

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[–] ChopFricks 384 points 19 hours ago

Lots of memes

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[–] Scudstock 2 points 7 hours ago

The memes from both political sides are simply glorious.

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[–] mmmhthatguy 5 points 2 hours ago

The left can't meme. They are unimaginative and unfunny.

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[–] lmvg -1 points 3 hours ago

This post is a big meme.

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[–] c0mplexx (deleted by user) -11 points 11 hours ago

I've seen more Biden and Obama memes tho /r/bidenbro

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[–] halflife69 6 points 11 hours ago

yeah but hamberders

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[–] only_the_office 2 points 6 hours ago

Goes great with covfefe

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[–] noodle_salad 336 points 11 hours ago

He's inspired a massive increase in civic engagement.

And he's done more than anyone to expose the insidious corruption in our system and the flaws in our democratic processes.

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[–] GetBTFO 118 points 9 hours ago

I think this is one of the biggest things. The amount of Money Influence, and Power Hunger that has been driving the actions of our politicians for years, is being exposed. Democrats and Republican RINOs both, most of them only care about Money, Power, Influence. Why do you think they fight so viciously against Trump? He is bringing these cockroaches to the light.

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[–] Barth0lomeo 43 points 7 hours ago

I am glad to see people realizing publicised political parties on billionaire-owned networks are basically theatre companies.

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[–] ihml_13 1 point 36 minutes ago

you do realize that he refers to trumps and the republicans very own corruption with that?

and what republicans are fighting against trump? cause if there was a relevant number, hed be out already.

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[–] Mom2Rad_Sims4 -6 points 6 hours ago

He's one of them!

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[–] itshighbroom 2 points 5 hours ago

Not that I disagree , just curious if you have concrete examples?

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[–] YetiPOL 2 points 3 hours ago

Practicing corruption is an interesting way to expose it.

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[–] MayIServeYouWell (deleted by user) 1 point an hour ago

He got elected.

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[–] SneeryLems396 1 point 5 hours ago

Yep

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[–] Cilvaa 1 point an hour ago

But don't pat him on the back for it, he did it by ***being*** corrupt...

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[–] Jubie1 1 point an hour ago

What has he done to expose corruption?

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[–] ihml_13 1 point 38 minutes ago

practise so much of it that it becomes really obvious

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[–] **idiotsonfire** 326 points 9 hours ago

He withdrew from the Trans Pacific Partnership. That was good from a certain point of view.

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[–] **coocoocthulu** 18 points 7 hours ago

From the point of view that I wasn't someone who wrote it; I agree.

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[–] **IrishPubstar** 9 points 6 hours ago

Only a Sith deals in absolutes

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[–] **HalfAmericanKing** 3 points 5 hours ago

Was that about trade tariffs and the benefit China gets out of free trade? And him calling them out on their bullshit?

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[–] **NSCfan** 311 points 11 hours ago

He took a lot of troops out of the Middle East

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[–] **DiamineBilBerry** 60 points 4 hours ago

Last I heard Congress was trying to block that for some reason... I hope he succeeds anyways.

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[–] **heythisis-myusername** 45 points 4 hours ago

Congress can't get together to decide a budget, or where spending should be allocated, but they'll sure as hell make sure your sons and daughters can be sent to die in the Middle East meatgrinder.

But hey man, Exxon needs their profits.

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[–] **cromathor** 1 point an hour ago

More like Halliburton

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[–] **Nobody1796** 4 points 2 hours ago

>Last I heard Congress was trying to block that for some reason... I hope he succeeds anyways.

That reason is reeeesistance. Remember that at the balot box. Democrats would rather our soldiers be in the middle east than give trump a political victory.

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[–] **cunts_r_us** 1 point an hour ago

I don’t know about that. A lot of pro-trump republicans are opposed to the movie, and it even led to Mattis resigning.

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[–] **Kozio_** 1 point an hour ago

Do you know what RINOs are?

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[–] **PartTimeHick** 1 point 37 minutes ago

It's all about Trump, fuck the Republicans. He's taking a hatchet to DC and I hope he's successful.

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[–] **alluring_simian** 1 point 3 hours ago

That actually hasn't happened. He just tweeted he was going to do it, and then didn't.

I'm deploying next month.

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[–] **Kerbalnaught1** 1 point 2 hours ago

I don't necessarily agree with this, but having US troops is a complex issue.

On one hand, it acts as a stabilizing force in a region when a strong democratic foreign power exerts its influence

On the other, American lives are being lost due to the fighting, and many could say that the US has no business interfering

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[–] **mastersifo-diaz** 1 point 39 minutes ago

The only reason the region is not stable though is cause of the US. They replaced the democracies in iran and Iraq with brutal dictators, then they invaded Iraq desablised the region and allowed ISIS to rise. They also trained, funded and armed the taliban.

As a non us citizen, trumps approach to America first and less interference in the middle east (apart from that stupid move with Israel) is refreshing.

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[–] zw1ck (deleted by user) -49 points 5 hours ago

He's the one that sent the troops to Syria

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 8 points 3 hours ago

Nope

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[–] bobbygfresh 0 points an hour ago

No he's not lmfao

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[–] TheWafflian 306 points 18 hours ago

He kept Hillary out. That was pretty great.

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[–] AngryPandalawl 62 points 9 hours ago

not a trump supporter. still agree with this.

On another note, it's more infuriating that we are stuck in a 2 party system. I wish i had someone going for the presidency that i could fully support, rather than having to pick and choose parts of my beliefs/opinions.

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[–] jarjarkinksXDD 5 points 8 hours ago

It's the money, if we introduced a law that barred all companies from supporting a candidate, I think we'd see more independent

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[–] anon_e_mous9669 3 points 5 hours ago

It's not just that, but the established parties have an extreme vested interest in preventing any kind of organized and viable 3rd parties from emerging. Right now, they can just play us all off between the two and make most people vote their party or for the "least worst" candidate. . .

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[–] AngryPandalawl 1 point 6 hours ago

agreed. Maybe someone should make an app that allows for more options in the community. If it's done well, might be interesting to see what happens.

Worst case scenario, i get some practice making apps.

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[–] guantanamObama 3 points 6 hours ago

Vote a strong third party like Libertarian next time. If they reach a certain percent (4 I think?) they will be in the next round's debates.

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[–] ScorpionX-123 1 point 3 hours ago

If they reach 5% of the popular vote in a presidential election, they'll receive matching funds for the next election.

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[–] 3kindsofsalt 2 points 5 hours ago

You can't have anything else in a plurality-based democracy. It's mob rule codified, and Us-vs-Them is inevitable and consequential.

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[–] AngryPandalawl 2 points 3 hours ago

I'm aware it's pretty unobtainable. Still wish I could have a higher ratio of alignment rather than settling

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[–] aheadwarp9 (deleted by user) 1 point 3 hours ago

Unrealistic idealogical thinking... We've all been guilty of it from time to time. Doesn't mean we have to vote a corrupt idiot to be president though.

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[–] emporercrunch -4 points 7 hours ago

Yes, good that we have Trump. I'd much rather have dick ebola than a cold.

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[–] AngryPandalawl 4 points 6 hours ago

that's your opinion to think that comparison is correct.

In my mind it was more towards: super untrustworthy and morally confusing president vs big ole dumb idiot who is going to try to do exactly what he said he was going to do but i don't agree him at all.

To me, there were no good results to come from that election.

on top of that, her haircut was just SCREAMING "let me talk to your manager"

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[–] emporercrunch -4 points 6 hours ago

> on top of that, her haircut was just SCREAMING "let me talk to your manager"

Oh good, I was worried you were basing your political decisions on sound economic, foreign and domestic policy positions and history rather than superficial bullshit.

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[–] **AngryPandalawl 3 points** 6 hours ago

I can't tell if you are trying to make fun of my opinions or support them :(

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[–] **emporercrunch -1 points** 6 hours ago

Look I'm no fan of Hillary, I've disliked Hillary before it was cool. My dislike started after reading George Stephanopoulos's autobiography which made it clear she cared more about power for powers sake than actual issues. She tends to base opinion based on poll numbers and I've always been of the opinion that people who want power that much should never be given it.

That said, all things are relative, even with all those negatives Trumps was thousands of times worse, it was a no brainier. The worst that would have gotten from Hillary is corporate friendly Democrat, nothing earth shattering or different. It's not like Democratic party policy positions would suddenly change. Trump exemplified the worst of the Republican party, sexism, racism, vilifying of minorities, denial of health care and climate change.

It's been clearly shown Trump is not the tell it like it is President, that's just a talking point, even the drain that swamp slogan is something he didn't even like but it played to the crowd, he admitted to this. He's a liar, incompetent and compromised. He is the dick ebola to Hillary's sniffle.

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[–] **AngryPandalawl 2 points** 5 hours ago

Hey, see! that's a much better comment.

I'm not set on my political beliefs by any means, so these are the kinds of comments i look forward to seeing, on why people have the opinions they have, not just what their opinion is.

In the end, i definitely hold a little bit of hatred towards Hillary for screwing over other candidates on the Democratic side, so even if i completely disagree with Trump and hate what he stands for, i still won't like Hillary, hence my original comment in the thread.

Honestly, if she would've just held herself up to be at least somewhat trustworthy, we probably wouldn't be in this situation, but i think a big appeal of Trump (at least originally), was that he SEEMED like he wasn't going to be the same old song and dance, and would be different to other politicians. i think that definitely backfired since then, but the curiosity of what that could be like was appealing at the time.

I ended up voting third party, and even though it feels like a wasted vote, i couldn't get myself to vote for either party.

I appreciate ya for taking the time to give your thoughts.

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[–] **[deleted] 1 point** 5 hours ago

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[–] **Jhawk163 2 points** 6 hours ago

Oh you mean like all those Hilary and Burnie supporters were doing to Trump. I'm not a fan of Trump myself, he could do with being less vocal on Twitter but it's better than Burnie or Hillary. I do so much love my nuclear war.

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[–] **emporercrunch 1 point** 6 hours ago

Nuclear war? That was literally a talking point sourced by Putin, you're a victim of FAKE NEWS.

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[–] **Jhawk163 1 point** 6 hours ago

Hillary wanted to,set up a no fly zone, the Russians are quite fond of their carpet bombings y'know.

Also if they guy leading the country this would have impacted the most says "doing that will lead to nuclear war", I'd rather not test it.

If there's a fence you gotta jump and it says it's electrified would you still jump it? There's a chance it might not be electrified.

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[–] **emporercrunch 1 point** 6 hours ago

Let me ask you, if you were being beaten up every day, literally punched in the face, would you literally do nothing, not even tell a teacher that could suspend him, or his parents who could punish him, in fear he might hurt you more?

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[–] **Animblenavigator 13 points** 9 hours ago

That was more than pretty great.

We'd have post birth abortions (murder) on a Federal level if she was President.

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[–] WhtRbbt222 1 point 48 minutes ago

Pre-birth abortions are also murder.

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[–] 1LoneAmerican 2 points 6 hours ago

He pretty much prevented Tim Kaine from being a single heartbeat away from being President.

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[–] Alaishana -73 points 18 hours ago

Level of brainwashing 100

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[–] CreativeRoutine 63 points 17 hours ago

Clinton is involved with Uranium One Russian Collusion, not Trump. Just pointing that out, not that it matters to you

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[–] Animblenavigator 19 points 9 hours ago

They don't even know what that means. They don't know what Uranium is. They don't know where Russia is. They don't know what Collusion means. They just know Orange Man Bad.

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[–] Jovenasoo -5 points 8 hours ago

Cant tell if you're brain washed or just straight up stupid.

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[–] Alaishana -25 points 17 hours ago

You are not right in your mind.

Someone brainwashed you good.

I think you are past rescue.

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[–] Antishill_canon -26 points 13 hours ago

This conspitard theory has onyl been debunked by all fact checkers years ago

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 24 points 12 hours ago

What? LOL

Just because you say something doesn't make it so. It hasn't been 'debunked' because its true. Go watch Clinton Cash.

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[–] Antishill_canon -12 points 12 hours ago

Pultizar prize winning fact checker debunking your rightwing conspitard theory

Lol @ "go watch my worthless rightwing propaganda"

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 29 points 12 hours ago

LMAO

From your article:

"In June 2016, we fact-checked a statement by then-candidate Donald Trump -- who was running against Clinton for president -- that Clinton's State Department "approved the transfer of 20 percent of America's uranium holdings to Russia, while nine investors in the deal funneled $145 million to the Clinton Foundation."

We gave the statement a rating of Mostly False. While the connections between the Clinton Foundation and the Russian deal may appear fishy, there was simply no proof of any quid pro quo."

So the whole is debunked bc, we really don't want to believe it. Pull your head out of your ass man.

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[–] Antishill_canon -11 points 12 hours ago

Yes bro pulitzer prizer wining fact checker saying your ancient conspitard theory is false you dont believe

But a propaganda film you watched is what you believe

Classic republican, classic

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 29 points 12 hours ago

I read your article. It was thoroughly unconvincing and based on per-concevied notions as opposed to actual evidence. The Russians did not give the Clinton's $145M out of the kindness of their hearts coincidentally around the exact same time Hillary's State Dept approved the uranium transfer.

Now go read or watch Clinton Cash. Get the other side of the argument before you make up your mind. It's a much more convincing set of facts than your biased article.

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[–] Antishill_canon -3 points 12 hours ago

I get it youre a brainwashed individual who doesnt want to consume anything but garbage rightwing propaganda

But even fox news debunked your ancient conspitard theory

You tried

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[–] willyslittlewonka 3 points 3 hours ago

Fox News =/= right wing. Quite contrary.

Shep Smith is one of those reporters that generally leans left wing so it's no surprise he would attempt to 'debunk' that claim. It's still not really that convincing and he just summarised the arguments of politico.

There are some cracks in the story that uranium was not exported: https://thehill.com/policy/national-security/358339-uranium-one-deal-led-to-some-exports-to-europe-memos-show

Here, have the primary source document as well: https://www.scribd.com/document/363328634/Nrc-Vis-Clo-Sky-Letter

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[–] Antishill_canon 0 points 2 hours ago

>Fox News =/= right wing.

Lol go fuck yourself

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[–] Intingyourlane 2 points an hour ago

Fox only had 49% positive coverage of Trump. You may think they are pro Trump because another channels are non stop Trump haters.

Source : Harvard Study https://www.chicagotribune.com/news/columnists/kass/ct-trump-media-coverage-harvard-kass-0521-20170519-column.html

https://www.zerohedge.com/news/2017-05-19/harvard-study-reveals-huge-extent-anti-trump-media-bias

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[–] crimsonpowder 10 points 8 hours ago

Eric Lichtblau won a pulitzer and had to resign for fabricating stories. Doesn't mean anymore, sad as that is.

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[–] Antishill_canon -1 points 7 hours ago

>Doesn't mean anymore

What?

Did you have a stroke?

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[–] crimsonpowder 2 points 6 hours ago

I did have a stroke. I meant to type "doesn't mean anything anymore" but missed a word. Thanks for pointing that out!

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[–] Jackpot807 13 points 10 hours ago

I don't trust any "fact checkers" on either side of the fence

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 10 hours ago

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[–] IShouldLiveInPepper -27 points 15 hours ago

The fact that people on the right think Uranium One was any type of scandal or think that Hillary oversaw some type of deal to sell uranium to Russia shows the level of brainwashing you are susceptible to when it comes to Clinton and the left.

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[–] crimsonpowder 10 points 8 hours ago

So then why did russia pay them a stupid amount of money for speeches and donate to their foundation?

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[–] HTS-got-Damascus 5 points 14 hours ago

Clinton is a right wing extremist warhawk, not some leftist.

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[–] Animblenavigator 4 points 9 hours ago

LOL! HOLY SHIT! Now Hillary is "Orange Man Bad"? How did this happen? Is this a Firmware Bug?

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[–] HTS-got-Damascus -2 points 8 hours ago

I am not from the USA and I don't participate in your petty identity politics. They are both right wing Manchester Capitalists and the only relevant difference to me is that one wants more interventions and the other said he didn't.

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[–] IShouldLiveInPepper -7 points 12 hours ago

Not in the minds of typical conservative/Fox News viewers who attack her and think there was some conspiracy for Uranium One.

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[–] TysonButterbean 18 points 10 hours ago

I love that you alone know what really happened with Uranium One. You should write a book about it, because a lot of people would really like to know!

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[–] IShouldLiveInPepper 0 points 6 hours ago

Me alone? Lol. There's thousands of articles about it. Google "committee on foreign investments", what it is, and their involvement in the uranium one sale. Then google why Uranium One has no authority to export uranium out of the US without a license, which they don't have.

If what I'm saying sounds foreign or if it's the first time you're hearing it, I don't know what to tell you. I can only guess you're only getting your news from places like Fox, Breitbart, OANN, and the likes.

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[–] TysonButterbean 2 points an hour ago

They don't have, but they did. Read the actual facts without your Trump-hate goggles on, and I think it will tell you a different story.

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[–] HTS-got-Damascus -2 points 12 hours ago

Being hated by the right wingers who in addition hate minorities doesn't make her leftist.

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[–] Regl_b 2 points 5 hours ago

There were no secret deals or bribes? What about the fuckload of money sent to the Clinton Foundation from Russia? Sure some right wing talking heads claim Hill and Bill got over 100m, but even left wingers agree she got at least 4m. Is 4m really not considered a bribe?

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[–] Seeattle_Seehawks 1 point 9 hours ago

Nice meme, grandpa.

Next time say “Illusion 100” or something, you might actually get a chuckle or two

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[–] Broken-Butterfly -8 points 17 hours ago

It's the best, most fantastic brainwashing, you wouldn't believe how wonderful the brainwashing is. Terrific!

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[–] Baby_venomm 297 points 14 hours ago

Put Clinton in her place

Lower taxes

Secured released of at least a dozen Americans from capture

The criminal justice reform bill was epic

Appointed the first female CIA director

Domesticated US energy

Hasn’t done anything bad with North Korea

Pulled out the Iran Deal

Crippled ISIS

Did not bow to Syria

Recognized Jerusalem as Israel’s capital

Got NATO to pay more

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[–] JelloSandwiches 80 points 10 hours ago

Stop using facts man it scares people

permalink reddit ceddit

[–] Apostatesteve 15 points 9 hours ago

Facts don't care about your feelings

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[–] RoiteTrom36 -5 points 3 hours ago

Feelings don't care about your facts.

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[–] blowreaper 1 point an hour ago

About half of these are facts

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[–] whatthefir2 -1 points 9 hours ago

Put Clinton in her place isn't a fact lol

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[–] feraxil 20 points 8 hours ago

She's literally anywhere but the White House. That's her place. Which he put her in.

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[–] whatthefir2 -12 points 7 hours ago

Cool now we have an even more garbage president. Congrats

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[–] feraxil 15 points 7 hours ago

I love our President.

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[–] whatthefir2 -9 points 4 hours ago

Yeah he can even make you look smart

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[–] feraxil 1 point 3 minutes ago

At least we know our fathers.

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[–] ChickenBaconPoutine 12 points 7 hours ago

Signing her books between the TP and the bottled water at Costco is where she belongs.

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[–] flxwertxwer 32 points 12 hours ago

did you seriously just call a bill "epic"

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[–] PrimeMinisterMay 35 points 12 hours ago

gamers rise up

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[–] Baby_venomm 9 points 11 hours ago

bless up fam

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[–] Baby_venomm 12 points 11 hours ago

Ya, it was a pretty cool bill

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[–] GetBTFO 5 points 9 hours ago

Hell ya, that bill was EPIC!

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[–] ClitNibbler 2 points 8 hours ago

Well it got rid of those pesky laws that target black people by heavily punishing the possesion of rock cocaine while the sentence for powder cocaine is much lighter. Sooo...

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[–] ChickenBaconPoutine (deleted by user) 1 point 7 hours ago

Bill is lit yo

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[–] yehti 1 point 7 hours ago

I can't believe he forgot the sunglasses emoji 😎

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[–] Hannibus42 7 points 9 hours ago

Don't 4.1% GDP growth, selling rice to mother lovin' China, fighting to secure our border, and chipping away at the facade of the Fake News Media.

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[–] rarelikesteaks 1 point 4 hours ago

Doesticated US energy isn't true.. I have several friends in the solar market that had to move most of their jobs to AU because the industry is so scared of his tarrifs

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[–] Baby_venomm 2 points 4 hours ago

Domesticated meaning US for the first time in a long ass time (if ever) exports more than it imports. We are more energy independent than ever. Russia is crippled. We are expanding our energy resource acquisitions and truly fueling our energy independence at such an insane rate I couldn't believe my eyes. If you told me 5 years ago USA would be energy independent I would have called you a lunatic.

Your friends case must be isolated. And a bit weird... but I am curious for an elaboration since energy is my main political and societal interest.

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[–] rarelikesteaks 2 points 2 hours ago

It could be! You do seem to know more than I do on the matter. (For real, not being sarcastic) But he works for a construction company that builds large solar fields and had a few projects lined up for next year. But when Trump first discussed tariffs, the industry got worried (because most of the parts needed from solar panels come from china) so they, and other large companies, took their projects to Australia.

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[–] Baby_venomm 1 point an hour ago

Interesting. That's intense.

I can tell you for the energy company I work for, our Contractors were very concerned over steel tariffs and the impacts were real. A lot of the steel we get is from Canada and overseas. So it was stressful but then trump gave Canada a pass on the steel for the time being.

But regardless the company must eventually build here? You don't need to go too into specifics but there is still a demand for large solar fields in the US , and will be in the next 20 years. It sucks. But hopefully your buddies can return to their original standpoint in the future

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[–] Proudfoot94 0 points 6 hours ago

> Hasn't done anything bad with North Korea

How is this an accomplishment? You sound like the Donald. Didn't send us to our mutual destruction today, better put that on the resume. Plus threatening someone and goading them on twitter is horrible. (Rocket Man)

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[–] Baby_venomm 3 points 4 hours ago

First president to meet a NK leader.. and actually stopped NK from their seasonal direct threats to the USA.

alright bud.

Every other president before him utterly failed with NK.

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[–] Lowtiercomputer -5 points 9 hours ago

Explain how prodding and insane dictator isn't "doing anything bad with North Korea" ?

And how is recognizing Jerusalem a good thing?

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[–] Baby_venomm 5 points 4 hours ago

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Every other president before him utterly failed with NK.

Jerusalem is Israel's declared capital. Recognizing it validates Israel's sovereignty.

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[–] SwankyPants10 -15 points 12 hours ago

"Appointed the first CIA director" - and then openly contradicts her and all his other intelligence agencies with his own narrative

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[–] finalaccountdown 22 points 9 hours ago

you would rather live in a world where people dont say mean things to women wouldnt you.

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 59 minutes ago

Who wouldn't? You spectacular piece of shit

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[–] **finalaccountdown** **1 point** 57 minutes ago

you think im spectacular?

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 57 minutes ago

Okay, it reads. Barely.

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 41 minutes ago

Are you an actual person? What you say is so predictable. Just wondering. You are an awful human being or robot.

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 58 minutes ago

Why has anyone in the history of the world ever upvoted your ignorant ass? Don't worry! It's over soon.

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[–] **finalaccountdown** **1 point** 56 minutes ago

they like me.

why do they downvote you?

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 54 minutes ago

Do they? Actual working American here, you know better than I about my own upvotes

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[–] **finalaccountdown** **1 point** 53 minutes ago

> you know better than I

you sound really smart. everyone should do what you say.

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 44 minutes ago

Good thing I'm not telling people what to do.

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[–] **SwankyPants10** **-8 points** 9 hours ago

Obvious troll comment - I would rather live in a world where the president of the United States actually listens to the intelligence chiefs of his own damn country.

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[–] **finalaccountdown** **11 points** 8 hours ago

you defend the intelligence agencies. that is unfathomable.

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 39 minutes ago

It's fathomable. The alternative is people like you with third-grade educations and a lot of beliefs that don't hold up to science. Fuck you.

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[–] **finalaccountdown** **1 point** 35 minutes ago

haha dude what'd you just find this thread?

we all left like 5 hours ago.

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 33 minutes ago

So you "brigade"? Neat. Don't care what you and your buddies do, btw. Just glad you admitted you are children and don't actually give a shit.

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[–] **finalaccountdown** **1 point** 31 minutes ago

if you have an aneurysm it is not my fault.

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[–] **Chelios22** **1 point** 28 minutes ago

Nothing's your fault. Don't worry, dude.

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[–] **MyBurrowOwl** **3 points** 3 hours ago

LOL, you think American intelligence agencies tell the truth to the public. Wish I was this dumb. If the FBI, CIA or NSA ever told the truth I would be shocked. Good ole weapons of mass destruction, we aren't spying on you lying ass intelligence agencies. Intelligence agencies are in the business of increasing their power, that's it. If a terror plot gets stopped along the way that's cool but isn't of importance.

JFK knew exactly how corrupt and power hungry our intelligence agencies were and planned to break them up and take away a huge amount of their power. He spoke about it a few times. Unfortunately he was publicly executed and the guy who they said shot him was almost immediately publicly executed too. So he never got around to it.

Only a fool would trust the public statements of our intelligence agencies. Trump is a threat to them so they undermine him every chance they get.

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[–] **Brother_Lancel** **-23 points** 9 hours ago

The Tax Bill didn't do anything for the lower & middle class: average tax bill actually increased for median income earners

Gina Haspel helped cover up torture conducted by the CIA under the Bush administration

Trump pulled out of naval exercises in the Pacific and North Korea STILL has an active nuclear program (even if they haven't tested any missiles recently)

Iran deal is a double edged sword: yes we crippled the economy of a state that finances terrorists, but now we have little ability to monitor their efforts to develop nuclear weapons

Not sure exactly how we "crippled" ISIS, the day Trump announced they were defeated they killed several American soldiers in an attack

Recognizing Jerusalem as the capital only stoked tension in the Israeli Palestinian conflict

I'll give him credit on some of the other things: the criminal justice reform bill was great (most credit should go to Congress, this bill wasn't a brainchild of Trump).

NATO reform is great, European nations need to contribute to their own defense when Russia inevitably invades Poland or Finland (it's absolutely possible: see Ukraine)

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[–] **GetBTFO** **17 points** 9 hours ago

What? lol. I am making more money every paycheck due to the tax cuts, and I am "middle class". My employer, whom employers over 12,000 people, literally sent out company-wide official emails notifying everyone that they would be receiving more money in their paychecks due to the tax cuts, and they weren't lying. My wife works somewhere else, and she also began getting larger paychecks due to the tax cuts.

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[–] **GuerrillerodeFark** **-6 points** 8 hours ago

Ooh you're in for quite a surprise...

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[–] **Brother_Lancel** **-7 points** 8 hours ago

That's great for you! You must work for a great company that passed the benefits to their employees rather than their executives.

Unfortunately, this is not true for every American, and like I said, the average (important distinction) tax bill for the median income earner increased because of the elimination of numerous deductions that the middle class relied on.

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[–] **acada** **10 points** 5 hours ago

The tax cut literally increased people's paychecks by reducing how much they had to withhold for taxes. Even if the company was greedy, they can't take more money out of our paychecks. On tax savings alone my wife and I brought home $350 more per month.

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[–] **MUTOVSMAGA** **14 points** 8 hours ago

My wife every year brings home a 20k Christmas bonus, this year it was 42K. The company attached a letter explaing it was due to a booming economy and tax reform. Bro do you even work?

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[–] **LankyJ** **7 points** 7 hours ago

I don't have all the info here, but a 20k - 42k Christmas bonus sounds a lot like upper class.

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[–] **Brother_Lancel** **-6 points** 8 hours ago

Congrats "bro" you have some serious anecdotal evidence

Are you gonna try to tell me that global warming isn't real because it's cold today?

Or perhaps world hunger doesn't exist because you had a big lunch today?

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[–] **MUTOVSMAGA** **13 points** 8 hours ago

Keep being angry at the world. It's tough out there but I'm sure you can find another to hold your hand.

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[–] **poo_pon_shoo** **5 points** 7 hours ago

He's just saying it's anecdotal, which is true. Not everyone is feeling the effects the way your wife has.

Holy shit though, congrats to her on that monster bonus

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[–] Brother_Lancel -2 points 8 hours ago

Keep worshipping billionaires, I'm sure if you tug at those bootstraps hard enough, you can hoard just as much money as they do!

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[–] MUTOVSMAGA 9 points 8 hours ago

Served my country in 2 wars, worked hard, saved and invested smartly and I am now retired at 48. Own a 3800sf home outside of Boston assessed at 1.8. Have fun hating the world.

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[–] Brother_Lancel 4 points 8 hours ago

Nah, I love my country and it's people, just not a fan of people like you

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[–] PopePepeIV 4 points 7 hours ago

The first part of the sentence doesn't align with the second part of that sentence.

Hate has no home here, bro.

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[–] Brother_Lancel 1 point 7 hours ago

>Hate has no home here, bro.

That's rich coming from a Trump supporter

Why is it that seemingly every commenter defending Trump/GOP on Reddit EXCLUSIVELY posts and comments in r/T_D or other pro-Trump subreddits? Y'all literally worship this man. Didn't Jesus teach us to not worship false Gods/idols?

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[–] PopePepeIV 2 points 7 hours ago

Love trumps hate, my man.

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[–] bluetoad2105 0 points 7 hours ago

And has it occurred to you that some people in the world aren't Christian and don't follow whatever a Mediterranean carpenter said two thousand years ago?

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[–] Brother_Lancel 2 points 7 hours ago

Yes it has, I'm one of them

I was mocking the hypocracy from the defenders of the "party of Christ" who actively support policy that goes directly against the teachings of Jesus

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[–] Baby_venomm 2 points 4 hours ago

You think too much In labels and parties and absolutes. Not everyone is out to get you. The gentleman you were arguing with isn't angry at the world. He made a life for himself. He probably has less hate in his heart than you cuz he's comfortable where he is and how he's grown.

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[–] Brother_Lancel 2 points 3 hours ago

I wonder who thinks too much in labels: myself or the party that brands itself as the Christian party of Christ? □

>Not everyone is out to get you

>He has less hate in his heart than you

Seems like projecting to me □□

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[–] Baby_venomm 1 point 3 hours ago

>says doesn't use labels > whole comment finishes with a label

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[–] Brother_Lancel 2 points 3 hours ago

>thinks the verb "projecting" is a label

It's a verb buddy, not an adjective

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[–] Baby_venomm 1 point 3 hours ago

I don't think in labels. But the Christian party of Jesus Christ of the Jesuits political organization of the resurrected son of man Christ party def does 😂

You're golden man. keep it up

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[–] Brother_Lancel 2 points 3 hours ago

Their words, not mine □□

I'd also like you to point me exactly to a comment where I said "I don't use labels" (hint: I didn't)

Well I guess we're done here, because you're clearly not even reading at this point

Have a nice day! ❤

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[–] Baby_venomm 1 point 3 hours ago

" I wonder who thinks too much in labels: me or the party of labels?"

You're golden bro. Keep it up and have a nice day. Don't stress too hard. Your life will improve

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[–] Brother_Lancel 2 points 3 hours ago

Reading comprehension is difficult, I know

I'd LOVE to hear how you think the above quote is equivalent to me saying "I don't use labels" and not "the GOP loves using labels"

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[–] kemnitz 1 point 7 hours ago

Trump's tax bill doesn't do much, if anything, for middle class families without kids. But when you embrace the patriarchy, this benefits are VERY real.

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[–] ch1ck_norr1s_ 4 points 4 hours ago

What the heck does patriarchy have to do with having kids? Do you think that men are the only ones that want to have families and there's something wrong with women that also want to have families? Are they somehow suffering under the patriarchy? I'm very seldom this flabbergasted by comments on reddit but your comment really is the height of absurdity.

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[–] kemnitz 2 points 4 hours ago

Well it's hard to have a patriarchy without kids amirite? Basically all I was saying is families with 2+ children will see a huge benefit.

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[–] ch1ck_norr1s_ 1 point 3 hours ago

I raised 2 kids without a man, though yeah, they did have a father, we just weren't together. I really just don't understand your whole patriarchy comment in general but that's ok. I'm 46 years old and have not suffered from patriarchy and things are better now than they've ever been for women and children. At least in the US they are.

As far as taxes go, families with children have always seen more benefit than those without children. I was just explaining to my 21 year old daughter that when you fill out your annual income tax return up to a certain income level it's almost as if the govt is paying you to have kids.

There's also the benefit you get if you are taking care of elderly parents or a disabled adult.

None of this stuff has anything to do with patriarchy and is just a way for us to have more money in our pockets to offset the cost of living.

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[–] ch1ck_norr1s_ 5 points 7 hours ago

>The Tax Bill didn't do anything for the lower & middle class: average tax bill actually increased for median income earners

Those $1000 checks were crumbs... and if you're a multimillionaire congress woman then yeah, that's what they are. For us, here in the average middle class, it helped with a down payment for a new car, thank you very much.

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[–] Brother_Lancel 2 points 7 hours ago

Where are you getting that figure from... Care to source literally anything that you are saying?

Do you even know what deductions were removed? Deductions that lowered your bill due to other state taxes, owning a house and lots of other things that the middle class relied on, and no longer has

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[–] ch1ck_norr1s_ 5 points 7 hours ago

That figure is from the people that I know and people that tweeted how happy they were to receive those checks and bonuses. Many of them received messages from their CEO stating the bonus checks were a direct result of regulations that President Trump cut that had been stifling business.

Sorry, I can't source my real life experience for you but I can tell you about my real life experience. It's up to you if you want to call a stranger a liar based on literally nothing.

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[–] Brother_Lancel 2 points 7 hours ago

You're the second Trump fan to reply to me today that sourced anecdotal evidence of how great the tax policy is 👌

It's almost as if you don't care what evidence has to say

I'm so tired of winning 😴zzz

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[–] nomoresjwbs 4 points 4 hours ago

The tax bill doubled the standard deduction. For people who were using the standard deduction this is a huge win, resulting in significant amount of extra dollars per year.

For the self employed who are deducting more than the new standard deduction, it's a wash unless most of the deductions you've historically taken we're erased by this tax bill. In those cases some middle class self employed will lose money.

For most w2 wage earning employees this is going to be a big plus though.

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[–] ch1ck_norr1s_ 2 points 7 hours ago

Lol, ok. I have to head out but I'm coming back later and I'll have sourced info for you just because it's what I do best. =)

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 4 hours ago

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[–] ch1ck_norr1s_ 3 points 7 hours ago

Here's your video of Pelosi calling the bonuses "crumbs" though, I can source that: https://youtu.be/QJYBRoqcHLQ

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[–] L2Logic 1 point 6 hours ago

>average tax bill actually increased for median income earners

Why the fuck should government subsidize home owners?

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[–] egrith -26 points 10 hours ago

The Iran deal was good and Israel is in all practicality a horrible apartheid state

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[–] Animblenavigator 10 points 9 hours ago

The Iran "deal" gave money directly to a terrorist nation, John Kerry even admitted that the pallets of cash that was given to Iran probably ended up in "the wrong hands".

Israel is a great nation of Jews. Why do you hate Jews? Why does the left get away with blatant anti-Semitism and wanting the destruction of Israel?

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[–] meme_department 3 points 9 hours ago

You can disapprove of something a nation does without being racist against it's people.

If I said "apartheid was bad" you wouldn't say that I'm anti white .

What's happening in Palestine is effectively a genocide. That's bad. Saying so doesn't make anyone an anti-semite.

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[–] Animblenavigator 4 points 8 hours ago

Palestine essentially gets funded by UN, an openly anti-Semetic global organization. They hate Jews. They attack Israel in policies almost daily and let terrorist regimes like Turkey slide.

Maybe if Palestine didn't aid the Nazi's in WW2 the UK/US wouldn't have given that land back to the rightful owners, the Jewish people.

They aren't victims. You're aligning yourself with those that want to kill all Jews.

Funny you bring up Aprathied (I never though I'd ever say that). In South Africa there's a literal White Genocide. The leader of South Africa openly says he wants all White Farmers in the land killed. What do you think about that?

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[–] meme_department 2 points 8 hours ago

>What do you think about that?

Didn't you read my comment? I think genocide is bad and if that's happening then I am opposed to that.

>Maybe if Palestine didn't aid the Nazi's in WW2 the UK/US wouldn't have given that land back to the rightful owners, the Jewish people.

Why does Israel have a claim when it didn't exist for over 1000 years?

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[–] llamallama-dingdong 1 point 8 hours ago

Invisible sky friend said so..

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[–] Zazool -1 points 9 hours ago

> The Iran "deal" gave money directly to a terrorist nation

The US doesn't have a problem with this when it's Saudi Arabia

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[–] Animblenavigator 3 points 9 hours ago

Iran wants to kill Israel and Saudi Arabia. They want to conquer the entire region. It's so bad that Saudi Arabia is now uniting with Israel to fight back.

Holy hell, I don't think people actually know global events here. They just think "Orange Man Bad".

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[–] Zazool 0 points 8 hours ago

I don't like Iran either, but Saudi Arabia was literally behind 9/11, that is unforgiveable. Saudi Arabia is one of the biggest state sponsors of terror in the world.

Why is okay for the US to support Saudi Arabia despite the amount of terrorism they export?

If you are claiming that the reason the US left the Iran deal was because it was a terrorist nation. Why are you against treating all terrorist nations the same way?

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[–] Animblenavigator 3 points 8 hours ago

Saudi Arabia has changed in the last 20 years. They now allow women to drive. So progressive.

But in all seriousness, they are an important piece of the puzzle in the Middle East. Iran was getting too strong, the Iran deal was a complete fiasco because it gave the stronger nation even more resources to be strong. The Middle East is a balance.

I thought liberals believe Bush did 9/11, what happened? Was Michael Moore wrong again?

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[–] egrith -6 points 9 hours ago

I see nothing In The Iran Deal thy equates to giving money to anyone, and I don't hate Jews, I hate oppression, like that forced upon the Palestinian people.

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[–] Animblenavigator 9 points 9 hours ago

You hate Israel, you hate Jews. Don't dance around the issue. Most people don't like this double talk shit. You flat out hate Jews.

John Kerry even said that the money in the Iran deal probably went to the hands of terrorists. He said it matter of factly. The internet doesn't forget, the youtube video is there for you to find.

So again, I ask, why do you think it's ok to hate Jewish people and their rightful land of Israel? Palestine does not exist, and on people from Palestine they have a map that doesn't show Israel existing. Meaning that to them, they see all Jews dead and Israel destroyed. You support that? Why am I asking you? I meant, You support that!

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[–] egrith -2 points 8 hours ago

I don't hate Jews, I support people who were forced off there land by a group claiming to have a right to it because someone lived there over a thousand years ago, I hate the slaughter of protestors by a government who's defense is "they shouldn't have been protesting", or attacking a ship in international waters trying to bring medical supplies to people being forced to live in a giant fenced complex

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[–] Animblenavigator 5 points 8 hours ago

Those people were forced off their land by the US/UK because they aided the Nazi's in WW2.

You support those people.

You are against the Jews of Israel.

Think about it, champ.

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[–] egrith 2 points 8 hours ago

Where are you getting the WW2 thing? I have never found any information on that, would be hard as plans to deport Jews to the area started in 39

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[–] Animblenavigator 5 points 8 hours ago

That's easy, the info is out there. Links below for all the info (lots to read, lots of evidence).

The Grand Mufti Amin Al Husseini of Palestine allied with Nazi Germany. His forces were responsible to round up Jews and kill them. They also contributed in killing Allied forces.

Quite literally the party of Socialism (The 'Z' in NAZI) is also the party of anti-Israel and pro-Palestine. There is a reason why the leftist professors don't usually talk about the evils PALESTINE committed in WW2. There was a VERY good reason the Allied forces took the land back for the Jewish people after WW2.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amin_al-Husseini

https://www.haaretz.com/israel-news/MAGAZINE-revealed-photos-of-palestinian-mufti-visiting-nazi-germany-1.5483980

http://time.com/4084301/hitler-grand-mufi-1941/

http://web.nli.org.il/sites/NLI/English/library/reading_corner/Pages/Himmler.aspx

https://www.ushmm.org/research/publications/academic-publications/full-list-of-academic-publications/nazi-palestine-the-plans-for-the-extermination-of-the-jews-of-palestine

In other words, those that support Palestine want to have these assholes kill the Jews in Israel. All of them. They want the Palestinians to "finish the job". Don't believe me? Look at the UN's actions the last 10 years.

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[–] **Annath0901** **-1 points** 8 hours ago

If the Prime Minister of Israel was a Catholic, I'd still think their policy towards the Palestinians was horrible.

What does being Jewish have to do with anything?

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[–] **Animblenavigator** **2 points** 8 hours ago

>Grand Mufti

>Catholic

LOL get the heck outta here

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[–] **Annath0901** **1 point** 7 hours ago

The point I was trying to make is that someone's faith or ethnicity has nothing to do with whether or not you like their policies.

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[–] **MangusParomus** **3 points** 7 hours ago

Israel is an apartheid state. The Jews risk their lives just to visit places in their own country like Gaza and the West Bank.

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[–] **egrith** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

All the while shooting Palestinians for existing

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[–] **MangusParomus** **4 points** 7 hours ago

Yeah but the Palestinians are still Israeli citizens and can travel through the country. Jews risk death if they go into Palestinian areas. It's clear who the baddies are here and it's not the Jews.

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[–] **egrith** **1 point** 7 hours ago

Israel has denied the Palestinians the right to self determination, thus denying them human rights, they have come the thing they suffered, if the nation had been done better it wouldn't be a problem, if from the start it was an attempt at integration and acceptance and not “we lived here a thousand years ago so you have to move even though you have been living here longer” we wouldn't have a problem now

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[–] **MangusParomus** **2 points** 6 hours ago

Exactly. If the Palestinians and the Arab league had just been accepting of Israel from the beginning then this situation wouldn't exist. Gaza would still be part of Egypt and the West Bank would still be part of Jordan, with Israel between. But instead they tried to wipe Israel off the map, and lost of course.

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[–] **egrith** **1 point** 6 hours ago

That's... no Britain tried to forcibly create the nation of Israel because they didn't want to accept Jews, Palestinians were opposed to the creation of a country by pushing them out of their homes and giving them to strangers from another continent

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[–] **MangusParomus** **2 points** 6 hours ago

And then the Jews won their independence. I'm aware.

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[–] **egrith** **1 point** 6 hours ago

And have been occupying Palestine and taking their rights because it's an apartheid ethnostate

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[–] MangusParomus 1 point 6 hours ago

Perhaps it's time for the Palestinians to submit. They obviously don't have the resources to fight and have been cut of from even their former mother countries.

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[–] egrith 1 point 6 hours ago

By that logic the Jews in Warsaw should have submitted and turned them selves in instead of fighting the Nazis

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[–] MangusParomus 1 point 6 hours ago

Weird logic that you have.

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[–] egrith 1 point 6 hours ago

The members of the Warsaw uprising were out numbered and had only a few smuggled weapons, they fought and many died resisting the SS deporting then to concentration camps, they were in a worse situation than Palestine, if Palestine should submit them so should have the Warsaw getto

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[–] MangusParomus 1 point 6 hours ago

Will the Palestinians be gassed in concentration camps if they submit? No.

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[–] egrith 1 point 6 hours ago

They have been seen to arrest people for no reason, such as Abu Sakha, who was a circus performer, arrested for making children happy

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[–] MangusParomus 1 point 6 hours ago

And then they gassed him?

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[–] egrith 1 point 6 hours ago

No, international backlash for him freed after 2 years with no charge

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[–] MangusParomus 1 point 6 hours ago

Exactly.

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[–] egrith 1 point 6 hours ago

The Nazis didn't start gassing civilians, they made the average person fear die one because they were different, arrested them without cause and made laws to justify it after.

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[–] MangusParomus 1 point 6 hours ago

Well I'm convinced. The Jews are Nazis.

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[–] SquidCap -54 points 13 hours ago

>Hasn't done anything bad

is not a good thing... ffs, you are crediting him of not fucking up worse than he already did.

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[–] heai7 11 points 12 hours ago

One of these is a misquote

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[–] Baby_venomm 9 points 11 hours ago

Actually I should have said First president to meet NK. He didn't provoke them is what I meant by "he didn't do anything bad." Also I toned down the meeting in my mind before the comment because it hasn't produced the results we all wanted.

So I think he's done good but it hasn't connected so from my perspective it was a neutral play. Thus my impetus to type "hasn't done anything bad with North Korea

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[–] Moleman-NineThousand 294 points 9 hours ago

Drawing out the worst elements of present-day liberalism into mainstream attention and scrutiny by essentially serving as inadvertent bait for their hatred.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 167 points 7 hours ago

As a liberal who hates donald trump I can't disagree with this. He did illuminate what was wrong with our party.

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[–] joshpcarter 103 points 7 hours ago

That's very big of you to admit. We need more people to be this honest.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 40 points 5 hours ago

Thank you.

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[–] SmoteySmote 45 points 6 hours ago

Yes more people are becoming aware. You don't have to "like" the "opponent" to reflect on your own flaws.

It is good that you are able to evaluate unemotionally. We need more people like you to move forward not blind hatred.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 7 points 5 hours ago

This, I very much agree with. I have been making this point for years.

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[–] SmoteySmote 5 points 5 hours ago

YouarenoNPC!

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 3 points 3 hours ago

I'm also no robot chicken.

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[–] SmoteySmote 2 points an hour ago

I know that's why I said that.

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[–] guantanamObama 25 points 6 hours ago

The first step toward recovery is admission. We welcome you with open arms.

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[–] dantepicante 12 points 5 hours ago

Former lifelong-liberal-turned-ardent-Trump-supporter here - can confirm. You'll also have a cost waiting for you!

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[–] nuclearfarts99 5 points 2 hours ago

Damn, this sure reeks of astroturf.

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[–] dantepicante 1 point 2 hours ago

Feel free to peruse my post history circa 2016 to see my glorious transformation

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[–] nuclearfarts99 0 points 2 hours ago

This reads even more astroturf-y than your original comment.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 2 points 5 hours ago

We're still far more sane than the right.

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[–] acada 11 points 5 hours ago

I think that's a matter of perspective. New York and Virginia are proving themselves pretty batshit with these new abortion laws.

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[–] MM2HkXm5EuyZNRu 7 points 5 hours ago

3rd trimester shouldn't even be called abortion anymore. It's straight up murder.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle 1 point 3 hours ago

Following Roe v Wade is "batshit" now?

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[–] guantanamObama 4 points 2 hours ago

According to today's left, it's too conservative for them.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 1 point 3 hours ago

The pro life or pro choice debate is much more complicated. I'm happy to have that but I don't think sacrificing the needs of those alive for those not yet born is in any way rational wherever you fall on that issue.

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[–] ptolemyx_ -1 points 4 hours ago

First of all, Virginia's new law died in committee.

Second, New York's law just codifies Roe v. Wade in state law: previously, there was a blanket restriction on abortion after 24 weeks; now, the state allows abortion after 24 weeks *if the fetus is nonviable or if the life or health of the mother is threatened*.

Is that "batshit"?

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[–] acada 3 points 4 hours ago

Any late term abortion is batshit since babies have been known to be viable at 23 weeks, at any point past that if the mother's health is at risk the priority should be saving both, which can probably be done in most cases. I agree that if there is no way to save both the mother's life takes priority, but these situations are exceptionally rare.

I consider abortion in general insane so yes I consider even being in line with Roe v Wade batshit.

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[–] ptolemyx_ 1 point 3 hours ago

Whereas, I consider it batshit/insane to force (by law) the woman carrying the fetus to contribute her bodily resources to its continued development.

Then again, I believe that the physical and mental health of an adult woman is more important than the life of any fetus she carries.

That said, of course I'd prefer abortions to take place before 24 weeks -- before 12 if possible.

Happily, 91% of abortions in the USA do take place in the first trimester, and each year only *one hundred* or so take place in the third.

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[–] guantanamObama 1 point 2 hours ago

Your party leadership right now would suggest otherwise. Ralph Northam is suggesting that delivered infants can still be "aborted" while his KKK yearbook circulates the news. AOC is suggesting a 90% tax and a TRILLIONS dollar "green new deal" because the world is going to end in 12 years... Kamala Harris is suggesting that all semiautomatic firearms be banned... they are EXTREME left right now.

Today's Republican Party is closer to the Democratic Party from 20 years ago. That's how crazy the left has become.

#walkaway

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[–] Clitorally_Retarded 19 points 6 hours ago

as a liberal who loves donald trump, i also agree. the dems gave up on the middle class when they embraced globalism and 3rd world slave labor.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken -3 points 5 hours ago

I don't fully agree with your characterization of globalism but it was Bernie Sanders who really led that fight. Moderates in both parties would have kept tpp in place. Why do you believe globalism is the cause of the demise of the middle class? To me, automation seems a much bigger culprit.

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[–] akai_ferret 7 points 4 hours ago

It wasn't automation that had thousands of american developers training their own indian replacements during the Obama administration.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 4 points 3 hours ago

Those h1b visas are a disaster and to my knowledge have not gone away under trump. Corporations play games to manufacture shortages with them.

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[–] Clitorally_Retarded 3 points 4 hours ago

i'm talking about the 90s (bill clinton), with most favored trading status with China and it's following admission into the WTO. Globalism is the advancement of global economic integration and emerged after the cold war. it's why a kid in indiana is literally competing with a kid in vietnam for a job, but the kid in indiana wants decent wages, health care, human rights, etc.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 1 point 3 hours ago

To an extent that has hurt jobs. I agree. That said, we still manufacture quite a bit. As much or more as we ever did. It just takes fewer people to do it. The age of the college factory worker with no college degree is over. We've done a poor job adjusting to that but it's not coming back. Blaming globalism doesn't fix that, and isolationism will make it worse. We need to move forward with where to go from here. Trump can't take us back to that age.

https://www.marketwatch.com/story/us-manufacturing-dead-output-has-doubled-in-three-decades-2016-03-28

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[–] AtomicLobsters 5 points 5 hours ago

Was? Still is, my friend. The DNC establishment is as dirty as ever.

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[–] NPC544544 3 points 5 hours ago

Unfortunately it looks like the ones leading that charge are shooting for the d presidential nomination.

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[–] lamnotarobotchicken 1 point 3 hours ago

There's at least one candidate in the race that would make an excellent president. Can't share who without giving up my location.

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[–] NPC544544 2 points 2 hours ago

Is it one of the big names or a lesser know individual?

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[–] YourWaifuisShit666 1 point 2 hours ago

>was

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[–] jumpifnotzero 66 points 8 hours ago

It's almost amazing that they can't see themselves doing it. I sometimes wonder if the liberal media actually wants Trump to get re-elected. Because everything they've been doing with "Scandal Everyday"... is going to do just that.

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[–] dreamaboutdeath 12 points 6 hours ago

Definitely dude, the first rule of advertising is to never directly name your competitor and EVERYDAY they throw Trumps name into the spotlight

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[–] CSPANSPAM 4 points 6 hours ago

You can't assume they're thinking my dude, this is a war footing for them. They've gotta be all attack all the time, there's no time for strategy.

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[–] PopTheRedPill 3 points 3 hours ago

> inadvertent bait

Nah. He knew EXACTLY wtf he was doing when he called Warren Pocahontas etc. He know things that trigger the far left that most normal people agree with. He knew exactly who the silent majority were and how to trigger the far left into exposing themselves.

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[–] SneeryLems396 3 points 5 hours ago

Absolutely. Obviously both sides have some good points and policies but the extreme left has no issue with tearing apart the fabric that makes America a beacon for the world. We're not perfect but omfg there rhetoric from the extreme left (and right obviously) is disgusting. It's so great it's being noticed finally.

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[–] Bimmer_P 2 points 7 hours ago

Very underrated comment

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[–] Moleman-NineThousand 3 points 7 hours ago

How so? It has 50 points within less than two hours of posting.

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[–] PopTheRedPill 2 points 3 hours ago

Wow that was incredibly well articulated. I knew that but I've never able to so succinctly express it.

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[–] HitlerMoonLanding 2 points 5 hours ago

This post is roughly 70% upvoted, compared to most threads here that are above 90%. That is all I need to know.

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[–] Moleman-NineThousand 1 point 5 hours ago

I don't follow, what is that supposed to mean?

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[–] ILIEforDOWNVOTES 0 points 7 hours ago

But on the flip side most Democrats would say "Drawing out the worst elements of present-day conservatism into mainstream attention and scrutiny."

I think polarization was always evident in our system but it's definitely at an all time high now.

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[–] Arluza 255 points 10 hours ago

He is going against the grain by pulling out of the middle east. This is a good thing.

He pulled out from NAFTA, which was also a good thing.

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[–] GetBTFO 201 points 9 hours ago

Remember when 99% of Reddit had a raging boner of wanting to pull out of NAFTA for YEARS. Pretty sure Bernie campaigned on it too and the BernieBros loved him for it. Trump did it, and Reddit went silent and or flip-flopped on it lol.

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[–] Arluza 149 points 7 hours ago

Yup. Reddit as a whole falls into the "ORANGE MAN BAD" train of thought.

Trump could provide a cure for all cancers and AIDS tomorrow and Reddit would be saying "Trump seeks to kill all people with Cancer and AIDS".

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[–] bpitmd 13 points 4 hours ago

"It's peoples own choice if they want to be killed by cancer and AIDS!"

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[–] Arluza 3 points 4 hours ago

I think that'll be the argument from the neo-cons, actually. Reddit would say Trump is trying to kill people with his cure.

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[–] TauliaTagovailoa 9 points 4 hours ago

"Trump seeks to play god"

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[–] Arluza 2 points 4 hours ago

I could see that, yea.

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[–] Grahon 1 point 4 hours ago

I mean, some of that may account for non-Americans. I know most Canadians were unhappy that Trump moved ahead with Mexico, and made Canada negotiate as a third party instead of the previous three way negotiation that had occured.

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[–] stephen89 2 points 3 hours ago

> I know most Canadians were unhappy that Trump moved ahead with Mexico, and made Canada negotiate as a third party instead of the previous three way negotiation that had occured.

That was Canada's decision. Trudeau sent a team of unqualified idiots to negotiate, they refused to negotiate in good faith and then they stopped participating all together. Trump repeatedly told Canada that he would continue with Mexico if that were the case, Canada didn't have to wait until literally 3 days before the deal was to be finalized to get involved again.

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[–] Grahon 3 points 2 hours ago

If nothing else, I can agree that Chrystia Freeland wasn't a good choice to send for negotiations. Participating in an anti-Trump panel in Washington was baffling.

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[–] stephen89 0 points 2 hours ago
Shes also the only person on the Canadian team that looked like she was passed puberty.
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[–] IStoleYourWaifu 1 point 15 minutes ago
It's crazy to me how similar Bernie Bros and MAGA supporters are.
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[–] BananaKing6006 231 points 18 hours ago
The things he did to the nafta bill is pretty good
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[–] KashiTheKat 225 points 19 hours ago
lowest general / black / hispanic unemployment in decades, thats pretty neat.
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[–] TysonButterbean 117 points 15 hours ago
I guess people really don't like low black and Hispanic unemployment. Who'da figured?
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[–] ClitNibbler 52 points 8 hours ago
And just like that, them democrats liked that there black and hispanic unemployment
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[–] NPC544544 14 points 5 hours ago
Look at any major black city, the local dem leadership seems to very much enjoy keeping them poor and controlled.
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[–] KekistaniDiplomat 5 points 8 hours ago
Can't have the proles getting uppity now can we?
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[–] RedheadInGreen -36 points 19 hours ago
That job growth began under Obama. Trump simply inherited it.
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[–] theawesomeone 40 points 10 hours ago
Dang two years in and the booming economy is still because of Obama? LOL
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[–] blizzfreak 17 points 6 hours ago
And anything bad that happened in Obama's terms was because "well Bush fucked it up"
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[–] KashiTheKat 7 points 4 hours ago
welxome to the left
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[–] grackychan 3 points 3 hours ago
I'm laughing hysterically thank you
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[–] jeremymeyers 5 points 18 hours ago
And job quality/pay is the important metric which isn't being measured here. If more people work 3 shitty jobs to afford to live, that's employment technically.
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[–] UniversalFist 13 points 9 hours ago
It's also objectively superior to unemployment.
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[–] jeremymeyers 1 point 4 hours ago
And minimum wage isn't a living wage anywhere in the country. Not by quite a bit.
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[–] UniversalFist 4 points 3 hours ago
It's also subjectively superior to no wage.
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[–] **retisense** **8 points** 7 hours ago

Wages are up (they have been) check the jobs report today

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[–] **dylxesia** **-2 points** 11 hours ago

When you start from such a low point in the economy of course the change will be greater. How dumb do you think people are?

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **16 points** 11 hours ago

It's not that they think people are dumb, it's that they think they are making a good point, and don't realize that they in fact are the ones that are dumb. And then they also think the person they are talking to is dumber than they.

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[–] **Freedomeofchoice** **4 points** 2 hours ago

Pasting from below. What ;low point, 40 years ago lol? Guess you are the dumb one: The unemployment rate has dropped to 3.8%, tying an 18-year low http://archive.is/Zq5uV

Black unemployment has dropped to 5.9%, an ALL TIME low http://archive.is/5OTKE

Hispanic unemployment has dropped to 4.5%, an ALL TIME low http://archive.fo/Fp8vw

Youth unemployment at a 52 year low http://archive.fo/qHdW9

Ongoing unemployment drops to lowest level since December 1973 http://archive.fo/OaLgY

14 states hit record-low unemployment http://archive.is/MgbEC

Texas Jobless Rate Hits 40-Year Record Low of 3.9 Percent http://archive.is/R8sn9

The unemployment rate in manufacturing dropped to 2.6%, the lowest in US history http://archive.is/hUnl1

There are more jobs than people out of work, something the American economy has never experienced before https://www.cnbc.com/2018/06/05/there-are-more-jobs-than-people-out-of-work.html

Thanks to tax cuts, companies' overseas profits now flooding back to US https://www.investors.com/politics/editorials/overseas-profits-return

Small business optimism jumps to highest since 1983 http://archive.is/bgL16

Gas prices at a 12-year low http://archive.is/Xdq12

OPEC countries give into Trump's demands, agree to increase oil production by almost 1 million barrels a day http://archive.fo/MxdEM

Pulled out of TPP http://archive.is/8jHzK

USA set to be world's largest oil producer http://archive.is/RyMKt

CBO says April 2018 was the best month in history for the US budget - surplus of $218 billion http://archive.is/Zj1Jd

US workers see biggest pay, benefit increase in 10 years http://archive.fo/fKaIz

Record $300 billion repatriated to USA http://archive.fo/SXgzG

Electric, gas and water rates falling due to tax cuts http://archive.fo/AJrv7

The U.S. had a trade deficit of $323 billion with China in 2018. China agreed to increase its annual import of U.S. goods by a combined value of over $1 trillion aiming to reduce that annual trade difference to $0 by 2024. https://www.cnbc.com/2019/01/18/china-to-offer-path-to-eliminate-trade-imbalance-with-us-report.html

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[–] **dylxesia** **1 point** 2 hours ago

I think yoi have gravely misunderstood my comment. I was replying to a guy who said that Obama had better job growth by saying that of course obama had such great job growth necause his presidency started in a recession at the economy's low point and it is very easy to recover jobs back from that point.

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[–] **kratbegone** **1 point** 48 minutes ago

Oh sorry mybad, agree with that as well.

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[–] **dylxesia** **1 point** 25 minutes ago

Yea, you confused the hell out of mew for am second there.

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[–] **Broken-Butterfly** **-15 points** 17 hours ago

Shhh, don't mention facts when talking about Trump.

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **22 points** 15 hours ago

How would one prove this "fact"?

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[–] **RyusDirtyGi** **-15 points** 13 hours ago

Google economic growth and unemployment numbers for the last decade and see that they were both trending up before he got into office.

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[–] TysonButterbean 18 points 13 hours ago

Omg just stop lol

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[–] Broken-Butterfly -10 points 6 hours ago

Yeah r/RyusDirtyGi, stop quoting facts. You're hurting the red hats' brains.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -11 points 13 hours ago

lol. Looking things up is for cucks!

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 222 points 19 hours ago

Unemployment down, economy up. (Haters will say it's fake)

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[–] EVILGR33NRNGR 27 points 19 hours ago

Almost a good comment til you got super cringe at the end.

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[–] Solar-Fury 8 points 8 hours ago

"Haters will say it's fake" is a meme...

It's meant to be cringy

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 -7 points 19 hours ago

True tho

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[–] EVILGR33NRNGR 10 points 19 hours ago

Yeah but the real issue is no one is gonna trust someone who endorses avocado ice cream.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 -10 points 19 hours ago

Your mother does

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[–] EVILGR33NRNGR 10 points 19 hours ago

My mom would break your jaw for such false allegations. You don't want that smoke homie.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 9 points 19 hours ago

I broke her jaw with my... ah forget it

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[–] EVILGR33NRNGR 13 points 19 hours ago

You like avocado ice cream, you've never hurt anyone in any kinda physical confrontation.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 11 points 19 hours ago

I've never had Avocado ice cream

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[–] EVILGR33NRNGR 14 points 19 hours ago

EXPOSED

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 2 points 19 hours ago

If only you knew more about Tom Brady you would have avoided this discussion

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[–] EVILGR33NRNGR 2 points 19 hours ago

Or was the whole point to expose your false endorsement of crappy ice cream?

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 19 hours ago

Go to bed

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[–] EVILGR33NRNGR 2 points 19 hours ago

I can't I'm at work for another 6 hours at least :/

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[–] crimsonc 1 point 16 hours ago

Ah, so you're a liar too

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 7 points 10 hours ago

I'm looking at the deficit and it seems like it is the worst since 2012 and is expected get worse.

The country is bleeding more and more money, but hey at least the major stock holders are benefiting from the stock market that has been charting record profits since 2013, not to mention the administrations policy of corporate deregulation, I'm sure that won't lead to any problems again.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 6 points 10 hours ago

You know the deficit is never gonna decrease, right? Lol Obama added to it, too. Stop pretending one side is good and the other is bad.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 -2 points 10 hours ago

You know the deficit is never gonna decrease, right? Lol Obama added to it, too. Stop pretending one side is good and the other is bad.

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 2 points 10 hours ago

You know that if 2018 deficit is the worst since 2012 that implies that it wasn't as bad in the in years in between. Besides we were able to post a surplus instead of a deficit before.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 -2 points 10 hours ago

NOT AS BAD. Wow, nice.

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 1 point 10 hours ago

nice indeed. In 2015 the US was bleeding $438 billion per year. In 2018 we bled $833 billion. This year we are projected to bleed $984 billion.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 5 points 10 hours ago

Who was the president in 2012 when it was even higher..? □□□

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon -1 points 9 hours ago

they guy who managed make the deficit he was handed lower rather than higher.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 3 points 9 hours ago

You might want to check the charts, bro

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 1 point 6 hours ago

https://www.thebalance.com/us-deficit-by-year-3306306

There's the charts. Obama was sworn in in 2017 the deficit was 9.8% on his last year 2016 it was 3.1% and by the time he passed it to Trump it was 3.4%. Since then the deficit has risen to 4%.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 5 hours ago

Look at the debt during the Bush years

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 1 point 2 hours ago

yeah things kinda took a turn after the end of the .com boom and 9/11.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 2 hours ago

It was pretty low throughout his entire presidency actually

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[–] thehalfbloodmormon 1 point 2 hours ago

I mean by todays standards it doesn't look too bad, but by 2003 he was adding more per year than any other administration had in history. But man the Clinton years. Look at that in 2000 we only added 18 billion dollars to the debt.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 10 hours ago
Yeah we need the Dems to take over, that'll save us.
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[–] BeefSerious 2 points 8 hours ago
Rich people are doing great.
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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 2 points 7 hours ago
I'm far from rich, but how is that anybody's fault but mine?
Also, I have enough to have a better life than 99% of the worlds population, so why the fuck would I complain?
I have a house, a car, a dog, and the freedom to do whatever I want. What more could I ask for?
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[–] djm19 1 point 3 hours ago
The worst abuser of that though was Donald Trump himself.
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[–] YetiPOL 1 point 2 hours ago
Unemployment has been decreasing for years now.
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[–] egrith -5 points 10 hours ago
That is just the natural business cycle, and following over from the Obama trend
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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 10 points 10 hours ago
Yeah we know all the bad was Bush, and now all the good is Obama. We know, we know, Obama was the best ever
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[–] egrith -1 points 10 hours ago
He certainly wasn't the best, he ordered the slaughter of many civilians via drone strikes and made very little work towards many important things, he was better than Trump, but certainly not the best.
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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 2 points 10 hours ago
Better than trump because... of?
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[–] egrith -2 points 10 hours ago
Much better foreign policy
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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 6 points 10 hours ago
Lmao yeah, ok
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[–] egrith 2 points 10 hours ago
Also improved the school lunch program, warmed relations with Cuba, formed the Iran Deal to prevent them working on all forms of nuclear weapons.
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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 10 hours ago
Warmed relations with Cuba. Thank God!
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[–] egrith 2 points 10 hours ago
Well we were fucking horrible to them for so long, good thing they forgave us for our war crimes against them
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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 10 hours ago
yeah, I think Castro has done a lot worse
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[–] egrith 1 point 10 hours ago
Like?
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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 10 hours ago
Are you fucking serious?
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[–] egrith 1 point 9 hours ago

Because subsidizing rent, helping other nations and overthrowing a horrible oppressive government is just so horrible

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 9 hours ago

Yeah, and his human rights record was squeaky clean, too. People like you are fucking banana land, man. Jesus Christ.

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[–] egrith 1 point 9 hours ago

... you have heard of the US and it's constant human rights violations, a fair few times in Cuba

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 9 hours ago

You're fucking insane.

We have freedom in America. What we do to other countries is another discussion. Castro was terrible to his own people, that is not up for debate. Fucking hell, man. Get a brain

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[–] egrith 1 point 9 hours ago

Humans are human everywhere, US crimes in all other countries matter just as much as at home, and many counties that are considered more free than America, such as The Netherlands and New Zealand, Hong Kong has the most economic freedom, Netherlands have the most personal freedom.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 9 hours ago

This is why you're wrong though. You bash america, while praising Cuba.

Why do you ignore the good in America, but amplify the bad, and ignore the bad, and amplify the good with somewhere like Cuba with fucking Fidel Castro?

This is why you have no credibility.

Also what has the US done to Cubans that warrants your radical left wing ideology?

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[–] egrith 1 point 9 hours ago

The US illegally blockaded Cuba over half a century ago and still are, relaxed it in 2009 through to 2015 but still have them embargoed

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -7 points 13 hours ago

But that was a trend during Obama's term too. Though Trump said that the unemployment numbers were fake before deciding to use the same reports to brag about himself.

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[–] sharp11flat13 -36 points 18 hours ago

It's not fake, but it *is* a continuation of the trend from the Obama years. IOW. this has nothing to do with Trump.

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[–] PracticalDig 44 points 12 hours ago

But if something bad happened you'd be blaming Trump, am I right? (assuming you're not being sarcastic)

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[–] andyrh1 17 points 11 hours ago

If the trend in steadily decreasing unemployment had suddenly changed, possibly.

- Unemployment rate
- Total jobs in US (annotated with Trump comments on jobs)
- Seasonably adjusted jobs added/month - job growth under Trump (2017, 2018) has so far averaged (201K/month) below the average of Obama's second term (216K/month), likely due to us reaching full employment

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[–] Cessno 2 points 11 hours ago

Economically? No. Everything else can safely be pinned on the current president

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[–] sharp11flat13 (deleted by user) 1 point 6 hours ago

If?

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[–] completelynuetral 24 points 17 hours ago

Lol no it is not. Business confidence completely tanked under Obama.

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[–] sharp11flat13 11 points 17 hours ago

Google is your friend. Search for economic growth and unemployment numbers from 2008 to the present.

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[–] TysonButterbean (deleted by user) 1 point 15 hours ago

Omg just stop while you're only a little bit behind.

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[–] sharp11flat13 1 point 6 hours ago

Two Charts Show Trump's Job Gains Are Just A Continuation From Obama's Presidency

FACT CHECK: Who Gets Credit For The Booming U.S. Economy?

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[–] doc50holliday 0 points 7 hours ago

You're definitely correct.

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[–] crimsonc -32 points 16 hours ago

You fool. The first two years of ANY presidents term, the economy is reacting to what the previous president did. It's been shown over and over again. If a Dem takes over from a Republican and the first two years are great, that was the Republicans doing, and vice versa. It's a fact

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[–] storyreversal 19 points 13 hours ago

> The first two years of ANY presidents term, the economy is reacting to what the previous president did. It's been shown over and over again.

Oh, ok.. so you wouldn't mind showing it one more time by posting a link to some study that definitely proves this, right?

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[–] CletusBDelicious 13 points 11 hours ago

http://fortune.com/2017/07/20/donald-trump-economy-stock-market-jobs-reports-credit/

Read the whole thing

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[–] storyreversal 6 points 10 hours ago

Nice, an article from 4 months into his Presidency, where it admits that the stock market growth is pretty much entirely due to Trump, but maybe not so much the job growth.

Not exactly something that shows that the first TWO YEARS of ANY President's term, the economy is reacting only to what the previous President did.

Can people here even fucking read????

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[–] CletusBDelicious 0 points 8 hours ago

Little cuck boy gets mad at when he's gets the source he asked for.

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[–] Sixty-to-Zero -1 points 11 hours ago

I mean, I remember people yelling at Obama for the economy and he was telling people that he *just* got there and was trying to fix it and ended up pushing through the stimulus which looks like it was a good decision.

It's not rocket science to see that when a president is in office for 8 years, the actions of that president will bleed over to the next one. It's not like the first day their in office they can turn the wheels of the American machine of economics. It takes time.

You don't have to be a political scientist or an economist to see that it takes time for things to happen.

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[–] storyreversal 6 points 10 hours ago

OK sure, but *that's not what the guy said.* Not "hey you do have to consider that it does take some time, and not all economic and jobs growth in the first two years can be attributed to the new President."

It was EVERYTHING in the first two years is entirely due to the previous President. Which is ridiculous and false.

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[–] doc50holliday 4 points 7 hours ago

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LL-XB7rw4OM

lol, very important trends DRASTICALLY changed when Trump took office

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[–] Sentient_Fedora 1 point 23 minutes ago

Wow. How have I never seen this???? Awesome!

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[–] Regl_b 1 point 7 hours ago

So your saying that what Trump accomplished is even more impressive? Because we should of been even worse off after an 8 year shit show. Obama doubled the deficit. If I was an American, I would have expected at least weekly blowjobs.

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[–] Apostatesteve 2 points 9 hours ago

So bush stoped the resession then

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[–] crimsonc 1 point 9 hours ago

...no? The recession carried on

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[–] Sentient_Fedora 1 point 26 minutes ago

I remember this VOX article. lol

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[–] Animblenavigator -1 points 9 hours ago

/u/completelynuetral is 100% correct. You're in denial.

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[–] dylxesia 9 points 11 hours ago

We are about to get the "impossible" 3% GDP growth for the calendar year of 2018. Sounds better than what Obama did.

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[–] andyrh1 2 points 9 hours ago

Can you show me when/where people said 3% growth was impossible? Because most likely they were saying that sustained 3% growth was impossible (*i.e.* average over a decade, which is what Trump's administration is projecting).

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[–] jumpifnotzero 5 points 8 hours ago

>Can you show me when/where people said 3% growth was impossible?

How about Obama himself saying you would need a magic wand to improve the economy to 3% growth?

https://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/news/281936-obama-to-trump-what-magic-wand-do-you-have

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[–] andyrh1 0 points 6 hours ago

There's no mention of GDP at all in that article.

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[–] dylxesia 5 points 9 hours ago

I will apologize in advance for not being able to find it, but I was making fun of Paul Krugman who declared, as far as I remember, that the only way to get 3% GDP growth was to make him President and he would do all of the economic policy.

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[–] HaramIslam 3 points 8 hours ago

https://www.latimes.com/business/hiltzik/la-fi-3percent-20170519-story.html

here u go

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[–] Left-Coast-Voter 2 points 8 hours ago

not to nit pick but it was 3.5-4% growth.

" During the presidential campaign, Trump promised growth of 3.5% a year, and sometimes even 4%. There's no disagreement that a sustained growth rate of this magnitude would be a significant achievement. Over the past decade, the economy has grown at an average of about 2% a year. The Congressional Budget Office forecasts an annual average of about 1.9% well into the next decade. The U.S. hasn't had sustained real annual growth (that is, over inflation) of better than 3% since the 1990s, with a brief spurt in 2004 and 2005. Making up the difference from 2% to more than 3% looks like a pipe dream. "

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[–] andyrh1 1 point 6 hours ago

Right - that article is about *sustained* 3% growth - over the long term. Not that we can't reach 3% on a particular year.

> During the presidential campaign, Trump promised growth of 3.5% a year, and sometimes even 4%. There's no disagreement that a **sustained growth rate** of this magnitude would be a significant achievement. **Over the past decade,** the economy has grown at an **average** of about 2% a year. The Congressional Budget Office forecasts an **annual average** of about 1.9% well into the next decade.

Like I wrote, we just had 2.9% real GDP growth in 2015, 2 years before your sourced article. No one would think 3% on some given year is impossible, but *sustained* 3% growth is a different story.

The sustained growth is what's important, because that's the projections used by Trump and friends to justify their tax cuts or to explain away deficits - we'll just have really great growth for a long time.

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[–] sharp11flat13 1 point 6 hours ago

Two Charts Show Trump's Job Gains Are Just A Continuation From Obama's Presidency

FACT CHECK: Who Gets Credit For The Booming U.S. Economy?

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[–] dylxesia 2 points 5 hours ago

Wait, do I really need to explain to you that both of these charts are not linear? As in, getting from 10 to 9 percent unemployment is not as hard as getting from 9 to 8 percent unemployment?

And anyways, you didn't even link anything relevant to what I posted above. Go find me 3% GDP growth for a calendar year under Obama then you can link something.

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[–] sharp11flat13 1 point 4 hours ago

I linked articles that supported my understanding, and thus my statement. I'm happy to be educated on this if you can show me that the current economic and unemployment's trends are *not* a continuation of same from the Obama era.

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[–] dylxesia 1 point 4 hours ago

Of course they are a continuation. Time didn't suddenly stop when Trump was elected.

You're misunderstanding of what the graph should look like is the problem here. We are at a level of unemployment that is about a 50 year low. If , as you contend, Trump has done nothing to affect these figures then logic would dictate that the unemployment rate would merely reach the previous trough in the graph and then flatten out. Except it hasn't, the unemployment rate is still decreasing under Trump at the exact same rate as it did under Obama even though, as I pointed out to you earlier, going from 5 to 4 is a lot harder than going from 10 to 9 percent.

And you still haven't shown me anything relevant to what I first posted.

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[–] sharp11flat13 1 point 4 hours ago

>Of course they are a continuation.

Then we're done here. Thanks for playing.

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[–] dylxesia 1 point 4 hours ago

Ah, the classic case of a Liberal not wanting to read evidence of their misunderstanding.

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[–] ExConBabysitter 8 points 9 hours ago

You're joking, right? Look at the rate of market growth under Obama vs Trump. It basically spikes when Trump takes office. The trend clearly changes from linear to almost exponential. How are earth can you say this is a continuation of the previous administration?

Obama even said that Trump's projected 3.5% GDP growth was impossible and he'd need magic to do it, then he did it. Crediting Obama is just ignorance at this point.

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[–] sharp11flat13 2 points 6 hours ago

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **3 points** 5 hours ago

LMAO!

Also Forbes:

PS, your 2nd article:

>Significantly, Hassett did *not* highlight GDP growth, perhaps because the measure has bounced up and down and would not show a clear difference between Trump and Obama.

bounced up and down

ahahahahahahahah

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[–] **sharp11flat13** **3 points** 4 hours ago

Well, the Forbes article you linked is a bit ambiguous regarding this particular conversation, appearing to show support to some degree to both sides. The chart is most interesting, and worth a little more digging.

That said, I have zero interest in continuing to discuss this with *you* due to your sophomoric attitude and apparent interest in 'winning' or something equally adolescent rather than learning the truth. Next time, see if you can have a conversation without acting like you're back in elementary school.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **1 point** 4 hours ago

Says the guy who just drops two links with no context!

We love to win, brother. That's why we support Trump!

You don't have to engage me further, but I'm glad you're at least digging deeper and doing your own research. However you feel after that is up to you. You're ahead of the curve by not letting people jam a narrative down your throat. Good on you, mate.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

> The trend clearly changes from linear to almost exponential.

actually no it doesn't. 2017 was a good year, and it was due mostly to an extension of Obama era policies. 2018 was actually a down year for the markets. (DOW Source)

> 3.5% GDP growth was impossible and he'd need magic to do it, then he did it

because its not. you had 2 quarters under Trump where GDP was 3.5% or above. by those standards Obama had 4 quarters above 3.5% including one at 5.1% and 4.9%. having 3.5% annual growth is not sustainable. (Source)

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **3 points** 7 hours ago

Sigh. This is what happens when you try to apply 5th grade math to economics. You'd better take another look at those charts.

Look at the DOW growth under Obama: 7,608.92 -> 20,663.22 Delta is 13,054.30, or an average of 1,631.79 points per year.

Now under Trump 20,663.22 -> 25,069.88 Delta is 4,406.66, or an average of 2,203.33 points per year.

You mean to tell me that you believe the same policies that were growing the DOW at ~1500 ppy magically nearly doubled growth the year after Trump took office? Give me a break.

2017 growth was due to Trump's massive deregulation of the market. Instant results. 2018 was set back due to the Chinese trade war and the federal reserve interest rate increases (note: they never did this under Obama). Just as it was predicted. Now that it's settled, the market is going back up and hitting new highs. Fed has backed off and China is yielding. What a crazy coincidence! You're being willfully ignorant if you think this is all thanks to Obama.

Your GDP argument is equally as ridiculous. Obama DID have some quarters with growth in the 5%s, but he also had several quarters of SHRINKAGE nearing -2%. If you average that all out, Obama grew the economy around 2% GDP during his 2 terms. Trump's economy has had up's and downs, but you see there is a lot less volatility. Several quarters of >3% growth and 0 (that's ZERO) quarters of shrinkage. Source

Remember kids, math is important. Stay in school.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **0 points** 7 hours ago

wow economics and math really sint for you. you can't use pure points as a measure of growth. thats why you use rates.

> Look at the DOW growth under Obama: 7,608.92 -> 20,663.22 Delta is 13,054.30

which equals a growth rate of 63.17%.

> Now under Trump 20,663.22 -> 25,069.88 Delta is 4,406.66, or an average of 2,203.33 points per year. which equals a growth rate of 17% over those 2 years.

> You mean to tell me that you believe the same policies that were growing the DOW at ~1500 ppy magically nearly doubled growth the year after Trump took office? Give me a break.

again, growth rate matters. youre only concentrating on pure numbers. using your logic Clinton was a failure because he only grew the DOW 10,000 points in 8 years or an average of 1,250 points. never mind that % increase of 210%.

its clear that you don't understand how to calculate growth rates. no one uses pure numbers. (To calculate the percentage increase: First: work out the difference (increase) between the two numbers you are comparing. Then: divide the increase by the original number and multiply the answer by 100. If your answer is a negative number then this is a percentage decrease.)

https://www.cnn.com/interactive/2019/business/stock-market-by-president/index.html

Trump has made the S&P grow 19% in his first 2 years. Obama made it grow 85% in his first 4. that would mean that Trump needs to see another 66% growth in 2019-20 to meet that. Clinton saw 79% in his first 2 years.

> 2017 growth was due to Trump's massive deregulation of the market.

no it wasn't. you have no proof of this at all. he didnt come in on day 1 and magically deregulate the entire economy. thats a laughable statement at best. but if you want to believe that go ahead, but factually your lying.

https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2019-01-28/trump-economy-lags-clinton-s-obama-s-reagan-s-and-even-carter-s

> Trump's economy has had up's and downs, but you see there is a lot less volatility. Several quarters of >3% growth and 0 (that's ZERO) quarters of shrinkage.

yeah, that little thing called the great recession had no impact on the economic heath of the united states. this is why you use the average for the year and not for the quarter as a real measure of GDP growth.

> Remember kids, math is important. Stay in school. yeah, maybe you should go back and relearn how to calculate growth.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **3 points** 6 hours ago

>you can't use pure points as a measure of growth. thats why you use rates.

Oh lord I'm about to blow your mind.

>which equals a growth rate of 63.17%.

Here is why your argument is fundamentally flawed: If you want to talk about rates, you have to understand that a rate is a change over time. The time period that you're calculating this rate from is 8 years. Because the calculation is compounded, the rates have to be observed over the same period of time to compare them accurately, but you already knew that, didn't you, mr. math? Maybe WikiHow is a little more your speed for understanding this. (psst, by the way, even your growth rate over 8 years is calculated wrong because you're taking the delta and dividing by the FINAL value, so it's not relative to the initial value to show what it grew by)

>Trump has made the S&P grow 19% in his first 2 years. Obama made it grow 85% in his first 4

You almost seem to acknowledge this, but you still don't quite get it. We can look at this another way:

>Obama made it grow 85% in his first 4.

So look at this fallacy. You're saying Obama-attributed growth should be examined for his first 2 years in office (4 in total), but Trump's shouldn't? Which is it? Actually, if we look at Obama's 2nd and 3rd year, we start at 12,319 and end at 14,578 - or a difference of 2,259, which actually only averages out to 9% a year. Maybe you're on to something ;-)

>no it wasn't. you have no proof of this at all. he didn't come in on day 1 and magically deregulate the entire economy.

LMAO! Actually, he did exactly that.

but I have no proof

>yeah, that little thing called the great recession had no impact on the economic heath of the united states. this is why you use the average for the year and not for the quarter as a real measure of GDP growth.

lulz. You didn't even look at that chart I linked, did you? You can literally plot an average line and see how it varies between administrations.

You're a card. The pseudo math coupled with the rampant spelling and grammatical errors shows me that you're just this | | close to grasping the truth here. You just need a little push.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **0 points** 5 hours ago

> If you want to talk about rates, you have to understand that a rate is a change over time

because they are based on the actual numbers of growth. you clearly can't do basic math. I even left the formula there for you. youre the type of person who would apply someone who takes $1M and turns it into $1.1M (10%) growth because they made $100k but would chastise someone who took $50k and turned it into a $100k (100%) growth.

> Because the calculation is compounded, the rates have to be observed over the same period of time to compare them accurately, but you already knew that, didn't you, mr. math? Maybe WikiHow is a little more your speed for understanding this. (psst, by the way, even your growth rate over 8 years is calculated wrong because you're taking the delta and dividing by the FINAL value, so it's not relative to the initial value to show what it grew by)

what is this garbage? thats now how you calculate growth rates. market and GDP growth rates don't compound like interest. Compounded annual growth rate is "rate if return" which is not the same as growth rates for markets or GDP. you didn't even read your own source:

From your own source: "**The compound annual growth rate isn't a true return rate, but rather a representational figure**. It is essentially a number that describes the rate at which an investment would have grown if it had grown the same rate every year and the profits were reinvested at the end of each year. **In reality, this sort of performance is unlikely.** However, CAGR can be used to smooth returns so that they may be more easily understood when compared to alternative investments.

Growth rates are based on the basic formula I already posted. Source

> So look at this fallacy. You're saying Obama-attributed growth should be examined for his first 2 years in office (4 in total), but Trump's shouldn't? Which is it? Actually, if we look at Obama's 2nd and 3rd year, we start at 12,319 and end at 14,578 - or a difference of 2,259, which actually only averages out to 9% a year. Maybe you're on to something ;-)

wow your reasoning skills are terrible. nowhere did i say this.

if you want to compare just the first 2 years then here you go:

Obama: 7,550.29 (1/20/2009) to (1/20/11) 11,822.8 (growth of 56.58%) Trump: 19,827.5 (1/20/2018) to today 25,025.54 (growth of 26.2%) Verdict: Obama wins by 14%

If you account for it over 4 years then yes you get a much higher number. 7,550 to 15,548.54 (growth of 100%) this is using inauguration day to inauguration day. Different numbers than the article i previously posted. so your boy actually has a lot of work to do.

> Actually, he did exactly that.

did you even read the text? it actually didn't remove any regulations at all. it mandated that for every new regulation proposed, 2 had to be rescinded. so what actual regulations are referring to? what was their economic impact and how is that directly correlated to the stock market and growth in GDP?

> but I have no proof

an article from august 5, some 8 months after he was inaugurated? you claimed the impact was immediate and exponential right after he was sworn in. your "proof" is not proof at all. where is your proof that on Jan 1, 2017 there was this vast amount of immediate deregulation that was championed by everyone that led to this exponential growth you claim happened? you can't even prove there was exponential growth because the markets and GDP didn't have any.

"Trump has said he wants to gut as much as 75 percent of all government regulations throughout his time in office." so he wanted to gut 75%, that doesn't mean it actually happened.

nice try. the best you have is "grammatical errors?" sorry that typing on mobile causes those types of issues.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **1 point** 5 hours ago

>because they are based on the actual numbers of growth. you clearly can't do basic math.

So are you or are you not acknowledging that to compare apples to apples for rates, you have to look at the same time period? You say you get this, then you argue it, then further down in your argument, you then correct yourself and examine them over the same time period

>market and GDP growth rates don't compound like interest .

Compound in this context means that the calculated rate must be based off of initial and final values of the same period, not like compounded interest. Period is a key part of a rate calculation. Not even sure why you brought up interest. When you talk about growth from 2015 to 2016, the rate changes relative to the growth between 2009 to 20016. I thought we were getting on the same page, but you're ranting and trying to distract from the fact that I brought up a valid point that your logic on the growth period was flawed.

>wow your reasoning skills are terrible. nowhere did i say this.

Look, this is what YOU said:

>actually no it doesn't. 2017 was a good year, and it was due **mostly to an extension of Obama era policies** .

I don't know what to tell you man. If you can't see how it's a fallacy to give Obama credit for Trump's first year growth, but to also give Obama credit for his own first year growth, then I can't make you understand. I literally cannot begin to have a discussion with you about a comparison if you won't concede this and pick a side. It's either relevant, or it isn't.

To further hammer this point in:

>if you want to compare just the first 2 years then here you go
>
>Verdict: Obama wins by 14%

So tell me, did we see reduced growth for Trump's first two years because of Obama policies, or not?

>did you even read the text? it actually didn't remove any regulations at all .

Did I read it? Did you make it past the first paragraph:

>Sec. 3. Rescission of Certain Energy and Climate-Related Presidential and Regulatory Actions. (a) The following Presidential actions are hereby revoked:
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>(i) Executive Order 13653 of November 1, 2013 (Preparing the United States for the Impacts of Climate Change);
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>(ii) The Presidential Memorandum of June 25, 2013 (Power Sector Carbon Pollution Standards);
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>(iii) The Presidential Memorandum of November 3, 2015 (Mitigating Impacts on Natural Resources from Development and Encouraging Related Private Investment); and
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>(iv) The Presidential Memorandum of September 21, 2016 (Climate Change and National Security).
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>(b) The following reports shall be rescinded:
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>(i) The Report of the Executive Office of the President of June 2013 (The President's Climate Action Plan); and
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>(ii) The Report of the Executive Office of the President of March 2014 (Climate Action Plan Strategy to Reduce Methane Emissions).

So, on top if revoking a number of policies, it also orders a review of all agency policy and to remove any that aren't justified. This was right after he took office. To try to say he didn't make a major deregulation act when he got into office is just... disingenuous. I showed you proof, but you want to be pedantic, go right ahead. If I want to be as much of a stickler as you I can simply say, well the DOW went up 1000 points the day he was inaugurated, so there is your proof. Case closed.

You don't want to believe what the data says, so I'm not going to waste my time trying to persuade you, but for fucks sake, at least be consistent with your arguments.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **3 points** 3 hours ago

> You say you get this, then you argue it, then further down in your argument, you then correct yourself and examine them over the same time period

wow you clearly cant read. I showed that obama has a rate of over 4 years and that trump would need to have a massive increase over his remaning 2 years in order to hit the same 4 year rate as Obama. if you can't understand this than thats your problem. then to dumb it down i didnt the direct 2 year comparisons and showed Obama still killed him. something you refuse to acknowledge.

> I don't know what to tell you man. If you can't see how it's a fallacy to give Obama credit for Trump's first year growth, but to also give Obama credit for his own first year growth, then I can't make you understand. I literally cannot begin to have a discussion with you about a comparison if you won't concede this and pick a side. It's either relevant, or it isn't.

i actually calculated the full first two years or Trump and gave him the credit in terms of numbers. at this point youve gone so far off the rails you can't keep anything straight. its pretty well known the the first year of any presidency is an extension of the previous administration. but again i still gave all of 2017 to Trump even if it was mostly impacted by Obama policies while at the same time I gave 2009 to Obama even though it was mostly impacted by GWB policies. you just want to argue because the actual numbers don't back up your claims.

> So tell me, did we see reduced growth for Trump's first two years because of Obama policies, or not?

not sure what you're trying to sell here. 2017 still showed growth on the same trend line as previous year. in 2018 we see the chart change significantly. Jan 20, 2017 - 19,827.25 Jan 20, 2018 - 26,149.39 (+31.8%) Jan 20, 2019 - 23,346 (-10.72%)

So do you want me to give Obama credit for Trumps first year in office economically? if we do that then Trump really has a growth rate of -12%. otherwise, as I previously stated his rate is 21%. Either way you calculate it Trump's record is nowhere near Obama's thus far.

> So, on top if revoking a number of policies, it also orders a review of all agency policy and to remove any that aren't justified.

revoking a policy doesnt mean laws and rules are automatically null and void. thats not how EO's work. He's not a king or dictator. Have you even taken civics? your understanding of the powers of the president is laughable.

> The following reports shall be rescinded:

that doesnt mean companies and corporations automatically stopped all their improvements and investments overnight. many of them had spend millions on upgrades and mitigation. he also didn't start many of the thing he claims he did. shocker, he tends to lie.... a lot.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/right-turn/wp/2018/01/31/the-president-and-the-deregulation-myth/?utm_term=.dab269b6a89c

"Trump appears to be counting ”regulatory actions” so many of the items being delayed or withdrawn were not regulations yet. According to a Bloomberg News analysis, almost a third of the regulatory reversals actually began under earlier presidents. “Others strain the definition of lessening the burden of regulation or were relatively inconsequential, the kind of actions government implements routinely,” Bloomberg reported.

In fact, it is unclear whether Trump has cut more regulations in his first year than any other president. When the Fact Checker examined this question, experts said that the amount of withdrawn regulations is not necessarily the best metric, because these are rules that never went into effect. Moreover, often it takes another rule to repeal a previous rule. Research by the Mercatus Center at George Mason University shows that regulatory restrictions actually grew during Trump’s first year, but at a much slower pace than other presidents in their first year."

The Mercatus Center is a premier libertarian economic entity so its finding of a mixed bag should carry great weight: “Regulations are still growing, though at a slower pace. The momentum of the regulatory state — a collection of hundreds of departments, agencies, and suboffices — continues in the direction of always making more rules.”

Moreover, evaluating the quality of the regulatory moves is another matter. If they favored one industry over another or simply eliminated lines in the Federal Register that apply to no one that’s “deregulation” in name only. “While some regulatory actions may be purely regulatory or purely deregulatory, many actions are both. The net effect could mean an increase in the quantity of regulations on the books or in the burden each regulation imposes, or the effect could go the other direction. Similarly, an action that has a net regulatory or net deregulatory effect could have either a very small impact or an enormous impact, depending on the nature of the changes the action induces.”

dammit, those facts are getting in the way again.

> If I want to be as much of a stickler as you I can simply say, well the DOW went up 1000 points the day he was inaugurated, so there is your proof

bwhahaha. thats not proof. it fell over 1000 points multiple times under his presidency. by that measure he is the biggest failure of any president in modern history.

> You don't want to believe what the data says, so I'm not going to waste my time trying to persuade you, but for fucks sake, at least be consistent with your arguments.

you have your head stuck really far in the sand if you think you're using any logic with your posts.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter 1 point** 3 hours ago

Yikes you're dense.

So does Trump get credit for his first year of growth or what?

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter 1 point** 3 hours ago

bwhahaha. thats all you got left?

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[–] **ExConBabysitter -1 points** 3 hours ago

I noticed you haven't answered the question. Been asking you this for like three replies.

You want me to again point out that you can't commit to a comparison metric and refuse to admit that a president can drastically impact the economy during their first term?

Or maybe I can write out a long winded rebuttal about how you don't understand that the market fluctuates on sentiment and that there are direct correlations to regulatory rollback news and market indexes going up, regardless of the number of actual regulations pulled back?

I could, but frankly I don't have to. Your raw argument about Trump's growth period being attributed to Obama's policies directly contradicts your comparison of an eight year administration with a two year administration. You still don't acknowledge this and are still refusing to give me a solid answer. We both know it.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter 3 points** 3 hours ago

> I noticed you haven't answered the question.

actually I have answered it twice. I gave Trump Jan 20, 2017 - Jan 20, 2019 in the included calculation and I also gave it to Obama and reduced his number showing that his policies which impacted 2018 more than 2018 actually produced negative

stock growth. you just refused to admit that because it goes against your belief that Trump has been better for the economy.

> Or maybe I can write out a long winded rebuttal about how you don't understand that the market fluctuates on sentiment and that there are direct correlations to regulatory rollback news and market indexes going up, regardless of the number of actual regulations pulled back?

which is why you used year over year averages as I have shown you multiple times. no one looks at daily, weekly or monthly changes and says that is directly correlated to the longer term health of the economy.

> Your raw argument about Trump's growth period being attributed to Obama's policies directly contradicts your comparison of an eight year administration with a two year administration.

I actually showed you direct comparisons of the first two years of each (something you have decided to ignore) and showed that Obama crushed him.

- Obama First 2 Years: +56.58%
- Trump First 2 Years: +26.2%

> there are direct correlations to regulatory rollback news and market indexes going up

you haven't provided any actual proof of this other than saying you believe it. where is your actual scientific study that provide that just the mention of deregulation leads to long term sustainable market growth? you posted nothing that proves this assertion.

> refuse to admit that a president can drastically impact the economy during their first term?

because they really can't. Source 1

- 1. Presidents don't set monetary policy
- 2. Presidents have no impact on the business cycle
- 3. Congress sets fiscal policy
- 4. The first year of any president operates under the budget of the previous president
- 5. Everything else affects the economy — slowly There's a broad range of other areas in which presidential action affects the economic future. Name a field, and the president exerts power over it: health care, energy, technology innovation, financial regulation, labor policies, trade, transportation infrastructure, agricultural policy. The list is endless. Even foreign policy matters; stable geopolitics is generally good for business. The problem is that all of these big policy areas affect the nation's economic prospects over the long run. The downsides of regulating banks poorly might show up as a crisis a decade down the road. The benefits of better infrastructure will tend to show up over many years. The payoffs of well-designed education policies come to fruition as young people enter the labor market with better skills years later.

are you also forgetting the approximate $11B hit the economy just took over him shutting down the government because he threw a temper tantrum about not getting his wall, that no one actually wants? or how he was increase the deficit from $587B (2016) to $779B (2018) to a projected $1T (2019).

you clearly dont understand trend or how long economic or fiscal policy takes to impact the overall economy.

> You still don't acknowledge this and are still refusing to give me a solid answer

actually answered several times.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **-1 points** 3 hours ago

I'll make it so easy that even you can understand:

Does Trump get credit for his first year economic growth.

Yes, or no.

Try to answer that without bringing up anything else.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Nope.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **0 points** 2 hours ago

Cool, so if you don't want to give him credit for that growth, then we have a single year to look at Trump's impact on the economy versus 7 years (8 if we count Trump's first year), which then isn't even statistically relevant. Therefore, it's impossible to make any kind of comparison until we have more data.

Now, I obviously don't believe this, but you do, so your whole argument is basically irrelevant. (shrug)

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Actually you can compare the 2nd years. When that's the case Trump has a negative stock market. Just because you're not willing to look at the data doesn't mean the data doesn't exist. Trump's has 2 years to pass laws and make new policies. We have 1 year to look at the results. Those results are negative for market thus far.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **1 point** 2 hours ago

No, you're cherry picking at that point. Comparing sequential year-to-year of two different presidencies is totally invalid. You're now saying that we should take an arbitrary time frame just so we can work with similar durations which is statistically inaccurate.

Why don't we just compare Obama's term from 2015 to 2016 to Trump's from 2018 to 2019? Hm? They are both one year long and we both agree that their respective presidents had full influence during those periods. Sound fair? In that period, the DOW fell 100 points from start to finish under Obama and went up 900 points under Trump over the same length of time. By your logic, this means that Trump blew Obama out of the water and Obama was a total failure because he saw negative DOW growth during that time.

This is my entire problem with discussing with you. You literally switch stances depending on what best suits your current point. "Trump can't take credit for 2017 unless I can prove that Obama had higher growth during 2009". It's ridiculous. You're being utterly inconsistent and when the narrative doesn't go your way, you pull up some other topic, like the shut down. It's Feb 1. If you want to start projecting what that's going to do the economy for 2019, quit your job and become a psychic.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **0 points** 2 hours ago

Now who's cherry picking? You wanna compare Different years of a presidency? That's laughable at best.

> "Trump can't take credit for 2017 unless I can prove that Obama had higher growth during 2009".

It actually doesnt matter if you give trump 2017 or not. In direct comparison Obama still wins those years I know it makes you made but numbers dont lie.

> of the water and Obama was a total failure because he saw negative DOW growth during that time.

Actually thats not My logic thats yours. No one compares dissimilar years. Well maybe you do but no one respectable.

I also see youve moved off the argument of how growth is calculated Did you finally admit defest tand that you domt understaNd these things afterall?

> This is my entire problem with discussing with you. You literally switch stances depending on what best suits your current point

Actually ive been prettt consistent. It not my fault the numbers and facts dont support your claims. But pleaSe keep coming back. Its bee Fun laughing these last few hours

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **1 point** an hour ago

>Now who's cherry picking?

Dude. Exactly my point. You aren't even reading what I'm writing anymore. I'm making a purposely ridiculous measursble comparison to show you how your argument is flawed and you're attacking the comparison as if I was presenting it as my case.

You are literally proving my point about how flawed your metrics are and you don't even know it. You're like a rabbid dog - attacking whatever I say that you can't see the forest through the trees.

Re read my shit and get back to me when you actually absorb it.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **1 point** 59 minutes ago

You really are that dumb then. I’ve been making fun of you for hours and you’re just catching on. You’re as dumb as I would expect the typical trump supporter to be. You have no logic and you’ve abandoned any semblance of an argument. You poor soul. Go back and take a basic Econ and civics class. Otherwise feel free to continue to embarrass yourself.

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[–] **ExConBabysitter** **1 point** 58 minutes ago

Lol, the old "I was playing 4D chess all along!"

Sure man, if you say so.

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[–] **Left-Coast-Voter** **1 point** 53 minutes ago

You really are that dumb. You’re entire post history is full of this dumb logic you think is brilliant. It’s comical to sift through. You have no understanding of anything related economic, fiscal, or monetary policy. Hell you can’t even correctly calculate growth year over year. Just keep telling yourself that you’re a genius. 🤡

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[–] **Animblenavigator** 8 points 9 hours ago

Haha GTFOH. The Obama years?! Dude the only time the economy went up during the Obama years was when Trump won the Presidency but before he was inaugurated. What a fuckin' cop out. Obama was even saying "y-y-you c-c-an't d-d-d-oooooo that without a magic wand"

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[–] **sharp11flat13** 0 points 6 hours ago

Two Charts Show Trump's Job Gains Are Just A Continuation From Obama's Presidency

FACT CHECK: Who Gets Credit For The Booming U.S. Economy?

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[–] **Eastwatch-by-the-Sea** 2 points 4 hours ago

Lefty posts leftist news sources and thinks hes spreading / seeking the truth. SAD

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[–] **sharp11flat13** 1 point 4 hours ago

MAGAhat makes derisive comment in the belief that anyone cares. Also sad.

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[–] **doc50holliday** 4 points 7 hours ago

lol, no it's not dude. Business confidence has sky rocketed since Trump took office.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LL-XB7rw4OM

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[–] **sharp11flat13** 1 point 6 hours ago

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[–] **ImbedVirus** 1 point 9 hours ago

better than I negative

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[–] **sharp11flat13** 1 point 6 hours ago

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[–] **ImbedVirus** 1 point 5 hours ago

Re-read what I said, I wasnt arguing. All I was saying is that, even if it wasnt Trump's "good-doing" atleast it is still going and hasnt been hindered under his presidency.

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[–] **sharp11flat13** 1 point 4 hours ago

Fair enough. I have concerns that the tariffs will have a negative effect, but it’s too soon to tell.

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[–] **ImbedVirus** 1 point 57 minutes ago

oh yes, thats a good point. will be interested to see what comes of it! I am glad we could find some common ground.

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[–] **sharp11flat13** 1 point 36 minutes ago

People of goodwill can always find common ground. At the base we’re all human, so there’s no such thing as a complete lack of commonality.

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[–] **AvocadoIceCreamTB12** -3 points 12 hours ago

Lol ya of course

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[–] **sharp11flat13** 0 points 6 hours ago

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 1 point 6 hours ago

Ah you convinced me.

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[–] RiotAct021 212 points 15 hours ago

Sort by controversial for actual answers, sort by best for laughs

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[–] finalaccountdown 84 points 9 hours ago

it's hard to tell which political sporting team you play for, thus I do not know how to direct my unwarranted anger.

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[–] bluetoad2105 1 point 7 hours ago

At the Brexit situation then?

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[–] lmvg 1 point 3 hours ago

I love how this post is highly satirical.

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[–] MultidimensionalTip 1 point 3 hours ago

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[–] AngryPandalawl -11 points 9 hours ago

Idk. there's a lot of pretty ignorant answers sprinkled around down there too, from both sides.

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[–] Fukinpeepl 196 points 8 hours ago

Fuel is less than it was 2 years ago. Ohio steel mills are coming back.

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[–] TaysteeTrina 19 points 4 hours ago

The claim that steel isn't coming back pisses me off. A friend from high school works on machine monitoring mainly for steel mills, and I just helped him with his taxes. He made about four times more than he made the year before.

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[–] AgoraiosBum -8 points 4 hours ago

anecdote v data.

But more to the point, the tariffs are hurting all the manufacturers that buy steel. It's a net negative

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[–] grackychan 16 points 3 hours ago

Steel manufacturers themselves aren't hurting. Look, you can't call it free and fair trade if China can sell steel at 50% of market prices, that's called "dumping". The U.S. has implemented Anti Dumping duties since the Tarriff Act of 1930 - it's not new.

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[–] FranklinAbernathy 1 point 44 minutes ago

I work for the largest manufacturing company in the world and every single item that I sell has steel in it, we aren't hurting whatsoever. Just my division grew 28.5% just last year and my division is over $300 million in annual sales. We are projected to get close to that again in 2019.

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[–] Jubie1 3 points an hour ago

In my area it was near $3 a gallon a couple of months ago. Now it's down to $2.25, which is around the average 2016 price. I've yet to figure out why there was such a major price drop in such a short period of time.

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[–] Titronnica -3 points an hour ago

The president has nothing to do with gas prices. He has no culpability whether it is high or low.

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[–] KAFKA-SLAYER-99 3 points an hour ago

Imagine being this obtuse

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[–] **Obzen18** **-3 points** 2 hours ago

Trump has nothing to do with fuel prices.

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[–] **IrateBarnacle** **4 points** an hour ago

Neither did Bush 43, right?

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[–] **i-hate-hr** **1 point** 36 minutes ago

But it did affect his approval rating. If you look at a graph and invert one of the lines, this approval rating basically was the inverse of gas prices.

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[–] **Obzen18** **1 point** 41 minutes ago

Correct

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[–] **FranklinAbernathy** **1 point** 41 minutes ago

The president absolutely has a lot to do with gas prices. From trade policy, drilling on federal land, pipeline approvals, to tax policy for exploration.

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[–] **ASAPBlue** **193 points** 12 hours ago

He’s made people show their true colors fully

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[–] **pinkeyedwookiee** **62 points** 10 hours ago

The amount of whack jobs out and about is a tad unnerving.

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[–] **thinkcell** **14 points** 4 hours ago

This is so true. I found out a few liberal friends are ignorant, hateful, children.

Someone says, what do you think of Trump?

"drunpfs a fuckin trash can dude, he's a fuckin trash can, you support him? Fuck you"

I didn't expect that reaction, but that's OK.

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[–] **notsurewhatiam (deleted by user)** **1 point** 3 hours ago

>We're so tolerant

Yet when confronted with someone from the right wing, they immediately trash them.

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[–] **Blastoxic999** **-4 points** 7 hours ago

Their gay pride colors.😊

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[–] **SubServiceBot** **191 points** 9 hours ago

He got rid of NAFTA and instead made a new deal which gives the US billions more from imports and allows us to export easier too

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[–] **evilfetus01** **27 points** 6 hours ago

But HuffPo told me that it was racist.

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[–] **SubServiceBot** **17 points** 6 hours ago

oh yeah, scratch my post

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[–] **AgoraiosBum** **-1 points** 3 hours ago

It's just NAFTA with a different name.

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[–] **PsychYaOut** **174 points** 9 hours ago

Pulling troops out of Syria.

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[–] **SumCibusRex** **7 points** 5 hours ago

Or rather trying to.

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[–] puppehplicity 1 point an hour ago

I don't agree with the man on hardly anything, but I have to give him credit for that.

I don't see how American military intervention in extremely complex Middle Eastern affairs is gonna go any differently than it has in decades past. Better to pack it up and go home instead of dumping our resources into a Sisyphean effort abroad.

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[–] braapstututu -1 points 4 hours ago

Whether or not that's a good thing is debatable considering he was reportedly heard saying "fine you can have it" in an heated phone call with erdogan (who intends on invading northern Syria (rojava ypg territory) as soon as the USA has no troops there.

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 3 points 2 hours ago

There's been far too many "reportedly heard by anonymous" to really trust those without further substance.

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[–] lt_dan_zsu -3 points 5 hours ago

Not sure how I feel about that decision, the way he did it was stupid though.

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[–] chiomegagirl 3 points 4 hours ago

From what I read about what I read about how it's being done is much more nuanced and slow than Trump awkwardly said it.

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[–] CordageMonger -24 points 6 hours ago

He put those troops there dude.

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[–] TubbyNinja 11 points 5 hours ago

So, you'd rather a long drawn out Obamaesque war in another country? The point here is that he acted when he felt like he should have, then got out. End of story.

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[–] CordageMonger -11 points 5 hours ago

Umm. I'd rather have him not put troops there. Taking troops out doesn't negate ever outing them there. Also he's *not actually taking them out*. And the plans that he originally stated actually left half of them there. Stupid dumbass.

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[–] stephen89 5 points 3 hours ago

Are you seriously claiming Trump put the troops in Syria? Obama's illegal war is Trump's doing?

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[–] zw1ck (deleted by user) -3 points 6 hours ago

After saying he wouldn't

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[–] Alreadyhaveone 1 point 2 hours ago

Not sure if you're being serious, but Obama put the troops in Syria.

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[–] zw1ck (deleted by user) 1 point an hour ago

Cool, the people in this thread live in a different dimension

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[–] zw1ck (deleted by user) 1 point an hour ago

Obama sent 500 men to Syria. Trump sent a thousand

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[–] Spectre1957 173 points 8 hours ago

Stopped hundreds of thousands of potential Islamic terrorists from coming here.

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 95 points 7 hours ago

It's too bad people have such a knee-jerk reaction to your comment. What is going on in many European cities is unacceptable. Estimates say that over 1,000 women were sexually assaulted or raped on New Years Eve 2016 in Germany. 600 in Cologne and 400 in Hamburg alone. Of the perpetrators caught, most of them recently migrated from *that* part of the world. Liberals claim to be for women's rights but will attack me for pointing this out.

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[–] rollpack6512 28 points 5 hours ago

Feminism is completely incompatible with conservative Islamic theology and Sharia law

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 21 points 5 hours ago

But acknowledging it makes us bigoted. Only weak ideas need protection from criticism.

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[–] mmmhthatguy 2 points 2 hours ago

I haven't yet understood why Feminists protect Islam. Islamic women are the most oppressed in the world.

Has to cover the hair, not allowed to pray with men, can't deny the husband sex etc. They were finally allowed to drive cars in Saudi Arabia though, so a bit of improvement.

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[–] bpitmd 9 points 4 hours ago

It's unfortunate that all evidence and articles of that are being suppressed. The big media outlets are of course corrupt as hell and only play the "Orange Man Bad" card everyday, but the same people who religiously follow said media outlets won't fact check with smaller ones in any shape or form. I've seen those people accuse the smaller outlets of being biased, when in fact it's the big ones that are biased and the small ones are doing actual journalism and reporting the facts. It's deeply unsettling to me because sexual assault is becoming more and more*rampant* by the day but is largely ignored by everyone.

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 5 points 4 hours ago

The fact that there are feminists complaining about 'rape culture' and still championing muslim migration is absolute hypocrisy to the highest degree. Liberals don't actually care about women's rights, they just use it as a way of dividing and shaming people they disagree with.

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[–] bpitmd 2 points 3 hours ago

Exactly. The thing is, I try and have these conversations with people I know because this is an important topic that can't be shoved under the rug. I've been labelled a misogynist despite being a woman myself! It pisses me off to no end, because rape culture is an actual issue hurting society as opposed to the joke that is feminism nowadays. The feminist movement used to be about say allowing women to vote and encouraging us to have a life outside the home, now it's about hating men and promoting the ideology that thrives because it oppresses women so violently. This problem is only going to fester until more people have a think about what is more important to them: women being raped and sexually assaulted when they should be in a safe environment or people saying bad things about an ideology that actively promotes women being raped and sexually assaulted. I honestly can't understand why people just don't give a damn at this point.

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 3 points 2 hours ago

I think they're just in too deep with their ideology to go back now. Too many political arguments where they accused the other of racism or something horrible in an attempt to discredit them. They would have to address their wrongdoing if they went back now, and that's too daunting for them to handle.

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[–] chiomegagirl 7 points 4 hours ago

The acid attacks are terrifying. I read yesterday that there have been over 2,000 of them in the UK the past three years. You can make the acid from commonly available items so it's near impossible to stop.

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[–] football-guy- 5 points 4 hours ago

And the rate is increasing.

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[–] Thantosiet 2 points 4 hours ago

Wasn't that in 2014?

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[–] Jaruna24 16 points 7 hours ago

Ahem, **moderate** Islamic terrorists.

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[–] djm504 (deleted by user) 0 points 4 hours ago

You are correct but you could've framed it more decently.

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[–] YetiPOL 0 points 2 hours ago

>hundreds of thousands

lmao

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[–] RikyStew -16 points 7 hours ago

And ... down-voted to hell.

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[–] Bauz3 -18 points 7 hours ago

Unsure if sarcastic, so upvote, or serious, so downvote...

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[–] redditposter-_- 159 points 9 hours ago

Left the TPP and tweets up a storm which increases transparency. America won't all of sudden deliver some freedom to Libya(insert new country) without us knowing about it. Actually tries to leave Syria instead of posturing.

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[–] whatthefir2 -24 points 9 hours ago

Yeah but most of those tweets are straight up lies so it’s not really transparency

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[–] ggthrowaway1081 1 point 3 hours ago

Yes fellow NPC, those are all lies, lets get back to watching our regular scheduled news programming and laughing at the comedic genius of John Oliver beep boop.

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[–] whatthefir2 -2 points 3 hours ago

Lol yeah I’m the NPC because I actually think critically about what the president says. Meanwhile it’s obvious that you guys just blindly follow what the president says

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[–] ggthrowaway1081 4 points 3 hours ago

Name one critical thought you've had that didn't come from the news propaganda.

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[–] whatthefir2 -6 points 3 hours ago

Well that’s a loaded ass question lol. I’m not going to even answer that bullshit.

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[–] johnDAGOAT721 157 points 10 hours ago

he helped smooth over things between north and south korea

he passed one of the largest tax cuts in history

he is pulling out of syria

he is presiding over an alltime low unemployment

he kept hillary clinton from taking office

he is exposing many of the flaws in our system, whether you like him or hate him

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[–] nuclearfarts99 -4 points 2 hours ago

>he helped smooth over things between north and south korea

eeh... not so sure about that. IMO it was mostly SK's doing.

> he passed one of the largest tax cuts in history

This is not a good thing. The middle class cuts expire. The ultra-rich keep their cuts. We have a $1 trillion deficit now.

>he is presiding over an alltime low unemployment

Thanks, Obama.

>he kept hillary clinton from taking office

why exactly is this a good thing

>he is exposing many of the flaws in our system, whether you like him or hate him

Exposing flaws by EXPLOITING EVERY SINGLE ONE is NOT a good thing.

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[–] johnDAGOAT721 3 points an hour ago

cmon man its halfway through trumps first term. there has to be a point where u cant just say it was fucking obama who is to give credit for the economy

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[–] **blackjackjester** **0 points** an hour ago

SK said it was mostly Trump's doing. I'll take their word for it.

The top 10% of American earners currently pay a greater share of tax revenue than in the 1950s and 1960s, probably more than at any point in history.

Hillary Clinton is a horrible person and corrupt to the core. Everyone who meets her hates her. She modernized political bribery through her foundation. On top of it all, she would have been given carte blanche with the media because "OMG first woman president, you're sexist if you disagree with her".

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[–] **LordAshur** **-31 points** 10 hours ago

Exposing the flaws by embodying them isn't a good thing

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[–] **dantepicante** **16 points** 6 hours ago

But that's not what's happening at all, my friend.

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[–] **RammingAries** **152 points** 18 hours ago

gave big macs

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[–] **rg90184** **79 points** 14 hours ago

And those kids were thrilled to have them

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[–] **sethrichnotavenged** **27 points** 7 hours ago

What football player their age doesn't like hamburgers?

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[–] **BonzaiBananas** **15 points** 5 hours ago

and pizza.

Hell all that was missing was Taco Bell.

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[–] **A_Crabby_Patty** **2 points** 3 hours ago

There was no Taco Bell? :(

They had Chik Fil A, though.

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[–] **Korpil** **3 points** 2 hours ago

*hamberders

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[–] **JingyBreadMan** **65 points** 10 hours ago

He's back,

He'll attack,

But most importantly he always give the BigMac

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[–] **mygawd** **8 points** 13 hours ago

What's offensive is he didn't serve Taco Bell

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[–] **ThisNameTotallySucks** **8 points** 10 hours ago

I'm triggered.

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[–] **chiomegagirl** **7 points** 4 hours ago

I wish he had served Mexican food. Imagine the entertaining outrage.

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[–] **football-guy-** **5 points** 4 hours ago

I think he only didn't because he didn't think of it.

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[–] **pancakeQueue** **2 points** 3 hours ago

Steamed hams at the White House.

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[–] JacobDerBauer 143 points 19 hours ago

•Renegotiating terrible trade deals •made the US a net oil exporter •4%+ GDP growth •signed a bill to spend millions helping impoverished poor neighborhoods in cities •big part in progress so far in the North Korea issue •wants to build a fuckin space force •lowest black and hispanic unemployment in history •pledged $50 million to help female entrepreneurs •renegotiated trade policy with china allowing more access from our manufacturing, business, financial services, farmers etc, •has brought back market optimism and many manufacturing jobs to the US •is very serious about securing borders and tackling the massive immigration issue which costs us over $115 annually

Just off the top of my head

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[–] FilipMcNair 14 points 10 hours ago

Hit the spacebar two times and then enter = newline. It'd look like:
•Renegotiating terrible trade deals
•made the US a net oil exporter
•4%+ GDP growth

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[–] JacobDerBauer (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

I did, i'm on iphone so formatting messes up

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[–] jimmyhenderson2007 -6 points 18 hours ago

Only 115 dollars that's it? Actually how much is it 115 million or 115 billion?

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[–] JacobDerBauer 10 points 18 hours ago

Billion with a B

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[–] YourKneesAreWeird -8 points 10 hours ago

4% GDP growth was just for one quarter, and that's pretty normal, it happened several times under obama.

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[–] Left-Coast-Voter 0 points 7 hours ago

while its not normal, its hit 4.9% and 5.1% under Obama. But don't tell that to the wing nuts.

https://www.statista.com/statistics/188185/percent-chance-from-preceding-period-in-real-gdp-in-the-us/

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[–] Regl_b 2 points 6 hours ago

After doubling the deficit I'd expect 4% for all 8 years and my dick sucked.

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[–] Left-Coast-Voter 1 point 6 hours ago

Actually the deficit was cut by 75% under Obama

https://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/statements/2016/jan/12/barack-obama/we-have-cut-our-deficits-three-fourths-obama-state/

Debt =\= deficit.

And Trump has actually brought the deficit up over $700B annually again. It's on track to hit over $1T this year.

https://www.foxbusiness.com/economy/how-high-us-deficit-could-climb-in-2019

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[–] Regl_b 1 point 5 hours ago

Oh my mistake, I meant debt. Thank you. And if Trump manages to double the debt as well, I won't be too impressed either. Although at this point, he would need more than a $1T a year deficit to do so.

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[–] acada 0 points 4 hours ago

> Actually the deficit was cut by 75% under Obama

The bank bailouts quadrupled the deficit in his first year and spending really started to decrease thanks to gridlock after Republicans took control of the house. I won’t say the initial spike was necessarily Obama’s fault, but he basically just brought it back down to pre-Obama levels. Still a good thing but those first few years hurt.

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[–] Left-Coast-Voter 2 points 3 hours ago

> The bank bailouts quadrupled the deficit in his first year and spending really started to decrease thanks to gridlock after Republicans took control of the house

much of which started under his predecessor. are you really trying to say that it was Obama's fault that the financial collapse took palce?

not sure what the 2nd half of your statement has to do with anything. The deficit didn't magically stop growing because the GOP took over and they implemented gridlock. they stopped because it took those first 2 years to really get the financial industry back on track. Dodd Frank was passed until July 2010. Everything throughout 2009 was much of a band aid until a new financial regulatory framework was developed and passed.

> Still a good thing but those first few years hurt.

well when you have the biggest recession since the great depression your deficits are going to increase. are you trying to claim that there were certain Obama era policies enacted in 2009 that are directly linked to a massive spike in the deficit?

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[–] **Alaishana** **-41 points** 18 hours ago

Korea, eh?
And he should get the bloody Nobel prize for it too, eh?
Sure.
Economy and unemployment have fuck all to do with anything he did. Look at the curves, if you can read them.

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[–] **JacobDerBauer** **25 points** 18 hours ago

Wrong.

Market optimism soared even before he was inaugurated, which led to high stocks, more consumerism which led to higher GDP growth. Bringing manufacturing jobs back with major domestic and international companies. Economy is just overall doing pretty damn good.

Not to mention increased oil/natural gas production which means lower gas prices. Also over 4 million new jobs have been created under his presidency. 4 million is a fucking hell of a lot.

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[–] **crimsonc** **0 points** 16 hours ago

The economy and job changes have time and time again been shown to be the result of the previous administration because it takes time for policies and laws to take effect. A president doesn't got sworn in and BOOM jobs start happening.

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[–] **cryptaloo** **-10 points** 17 hours ago

You must have been a huge fan of Obama because the economy improved greatly during his term.

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[–] **riotguards** **20 points** 15 hours ago

Gas and oil almost died because of Obama's high tax rates only survived because of advances in techniques etc

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[–] **OneMoreLift** **14 points** 12 hours ago

It improved but to say greatly would be a stretch. Obama himself said 2% growth was all we could hope for and while Obama managed to get slightly above 2% a couple quarters Trump managed over 4% at least once.

GDP is up

Stocks are up

Household income is up

Unemployment is down

He's an idiot there's no doubt but he's clearly the smartest idiot because what he's doing is helping the economy.

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[–] **IA_Kcin** **3 points** 11 hours ago

Obama's highest quarter reached 5.1%. He went over 4% twice. We have a few years to go still, but at the moment, Obama has had 3 quarters higher than Trump's highest.

>Obama himself said 2% growth was all we could hope for...

I don't think he said that. I thought he said 3%, but as I looked for the clarification, it appears he never said it at all to begin with.

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[–] **weakandsensitive** **3 points** 6 hours ago

Google "obama economy new normal".

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[–] **travelthief** **3 points** 5 hours ago

you mean when he used trillions of taxpayer money to bail out to auto industry?

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[–] **RoBurgundy** **12 points** 17 hours ago

> And he should get the bloody Nobel prize for it too, eh?

Pretty cheeky statement considering the reasoning they used to give one to the last guy.

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[–] **HTS-got-Damascus** **9 points** 14 hours ago

> And he should get the bloody Nobel prize for it too, eh?

After warmonger Kissinger got the Nobel prize and then Obama it is completely worthless anyway. Might as well give it to Putin and Kim-Jong Un.

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[–] crimsonpowder 2 points 8 hours ago

If Obama got one, he should 100% get one.

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[–] yakshemash 1 point an hour ago

You are so ignorant, eh?

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[–] fluidkarma 141 points 9 hours ago

He exposed the shadow govt

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[–] DirtyPedro 11 points 4 hours ago

Big time. He has undeniably exposed the malice and ulterior motives of the media, especially the tabloid-style media like CNN.

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[–] Jovenasoo -16 points 8 hours ago

i forget the Shadow government hierarchy. Is it Deep State then Shadow Gov then Lizard people then Danny Devito?

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[–] sethrichnotavenged 35 points 7 hours ago

There is a shadow government. Even Bill Clinton said "There is a government within the government and I don't control it."

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[–] apple_teacher 10 points 3 hours ago

When both sides agree it's a problem, that scares me.

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[–] cunts_r_us 2 points an hour ago

What does he mean by this? The state department? The pentagon? Or something else?

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[–] politicusmaximus 22 points 6 hours ago

If you don't think there is a deep state at this point, there is no helping you. It's not even controversial at this point.

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[–] Jovenasoo -14 points 6 hours ago

If you believe in way anything regarding a "Deep State" you're just too scared to admit your an idiot.

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[–] caesarfecit 11 points 5 hours ago

Irony levels approaching maximum with this comment.

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[–] TaysteeTrina 8 points 4 hours ago

> your an idiot.

Nice irony.

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[–] Jovenasoo -2 points 4 hours ago

I am shaking right now

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[–] Birbness 124 points 10 hours ago

Lower taxes

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[–] TaysteeTrina 3 points 4 hours ago

I work nights at HR Block, and I think I've only seen one tax return so far where someone made about the same that paid more. That's a biased example since we don't have a state income tax here in Washington, but it at least is true here.

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[–] AMasonJar -7 points 4 hours ago

on the rich

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle -9 points 3 hours ago

The current tax cuts only benefit the wealthy. The rest are temporary measures and we are running a massive deficit that is currently slated to be paid back by the lower and middle class families.

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[–] bruisedunderpenis 4 points 2 hours ago

> The current tax cuts only benefit the wealthy

False, the biggest cuts are for those at the upper end of middle class and those previously on the cusp of paying no federal taxes at all. This is due to the combination of the new rates and new brackets. There are tons of websites with calculators where you can compare the change in your tax burden and play with the numbers to see for yourself.

>The rest are temporary measures

They are only temporary because the democrats in congress voted against them. If the democrats had wanted us to have the cuts permanently, all they had to do was join the republicans in approving them. The "they're only temporary" argument is 100% an indictment on democrats, not Trump or Republicans.

>and we are running a massive deficit that is currently slated to be paid back by the lower and middle class families.

We are currently running a deficit but are slowly working towards lowering debt in the process so that the balance sheet is healthier in the long run.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle -5 points 2 hours ago

Yeah, I can't wait for that estate tax cut to benefit me.

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[–] bruisedunderpenis 2 points 2 hours ago

The only way you could sit there with a straight face and pretend like that is the only change made is if you are being intentionally disingenuous to sow disinformation, you've been completely brainwashed by propaganda and actually believe that lie, or you're trolling.

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[–] UnquestionableTurtle -1 points 2 hours ago

I'm not going to sit here and try to change the minds of a bunch of adults who seriously think evolution is made up. Just keep on avoiding higher education, they'll brainwash you with liberal thoughts!!!

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[–] bruisedunderpenis 2 points 2 hours ago

Ah a troll! Very good! That leaves me with slightly more hope for humanity knowing there's one less dope who actually believes those things than I initially thought. Excellent.

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[–] MuchoGustoMeLlamo 122 points 10 hours ago

Economy. America being energy independent. Trade deals. North Korea isn't shooting rockets anymore. Iran deal. Individual mandate removed. Unemployment numbers are great. Supreme court appointments of judges that read and follow the constitution All with zero help from half our elected officials. Imagine the list if we could all work together.

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[–] IStoleYourWaifu 1 point 6 minutes ago

North Korea hasn't done much to get rid of their bombs. That isn't one of Trump's successes

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[–] JoshuaZ1 1 point 9 hours ago

> Economy.

The current unemployment rate is low. The rate of unemployment had been declining since Obama's term. This is a general trend which has nothing to do with Trump, (it probably had little to do with Obama also). Meanwhile, other economic indicators are doing poorly. For example, in terms of percentage growth of the S&P, Trump has been awful.

> America being energy independent.

Trump has done close to zero for American energy independence. While more energy for the US is coming from the US, that's a general pattern that started well before Trump with the growth of natural gas starting in in George Bush's administration. See this graph. Moreover, one of the primary things that would help with energy independence is more solar and wind power which Trump has actively fought against .

Most of the rest of your statements are either vague (what for example does it mean for appointment of judges who "follow the Constitution" other than that you already agree with their right-wing politics?) or suffer from similar factual issues.

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[–] MuchoGustoMeLlamo 2 points 6 hours ago

Hater...plain and simple.

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[–] JoshuaZ1 9 points 6 hours ago

Yeah, that's a really detailed answer which bothers to actually grapple with anything I said.

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[–] MuchoGustoMeLlamo 0 points 5 hours ago

Cool.

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[–] JoshuaZ1 2 points 5 hours ago

You could if you wanted maybe spend a few seconds looking at the graph I linked to and explain why my interpretation of it is wrong.

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[–] zw1ck (deleted by user) 4 points 5 hours ago

He's done some genuine good, stop quoting things he had little to nothing to do with.

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[–] MuchoGustoMeLlamo 0 points 5 hours ago

Such as?

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[–] JoshuaZ1 3 points 3 hours ago

He's taken an essentially correct position on Venezuela.

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[–] zw1ck (deleted by user) 3 points 4 hours ago

Helping to negotiate a peace deal between the Koreas. Banning bump stocks. The right to try law. While I'm not sure of the net effects of the steel tariffs, the steel industry in the US has improved.

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[–] zw1ck (deleted by user) 1 point 5 hours ago

>Ahhh facts!

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[–] IStoleYourWaifu 1 point 7 minutes ago

>in terms of percentage growth

GDP growth has been rather high, hasn't it?

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[–] Jafarioius 110 points 11 hours ago

My dad, who works as a carpenter, has been in a stable job. During Obama/Bush, he was in and out of work a lot, and times were tough.

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[–] Dredly -30 points 11 hours ago

Ironic... since Trump has just raised the interest rate, which will reduce new home building.

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[–] trailless 35 points 11 hours ago

Trump raised interest rates? I thought that was the federal reserves job. Also they came out yesterday and said they would halt interest rate hikes for the time being.

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[–] TysonButterbean 36 points 10 hours ago

No, you aren't understanding. If it's something with a good result, it was Obama or luck that made it happen. If it's bad, it's definitely Trump's fault, probably b/c Russia.

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[–] Jhawk163 8 points 6 hours ago

Even if it’s good, here’s why it’s bad and Trumps fault”

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[–] YetiPOL -1 points 2 hours ago

You seem quite biased.

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 29 points 11 hours ago

So Presidents raise interest rates now? LMAO

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[–] Alexnu789 3 points 7 hours ago

they dont even have the common sense...Sad

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[–] Dredly -6 points 11 hours ago

If we are giving him credit for everything that happens during his presidency, that includes everything right?

unless you believe the person I replied to has a dad working for Trump directly?

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 19 points 10 hours ago

My dog died last year. I suppose that's Trump's fault since it happened under his Presidency?

Jesus dude, don't be so obtuse. The Fed raises interest rates and it independent of the Executive branch. In fact, Trump spoke out against the Fed raising interest rates several times.

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[–] GetBTFO 16 points 9 hours ago

Muh dude... the Federal Reserve raises interest rates - and Trump called them out on their bullshit for that. The Fed artificially supressed the interest rates (with zero hikes) for all of Obama's Presidency. As soon as Trump rolled in, they began hiking it.

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[–] crimsonpowder 10 points 8 hours ago

Nah that was the fed. They have to clean up the 2008-2016 years where the % was flat.

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[–] Jafarioius 1 point 7 hours ago

I mean, he works with a lot of companies, as opposed to housing

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[–] Alexnu789 104 points 18 hours ago

A lot

Trade war

Lower tax

Lower unemployment rate

More jobs created

Etc

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[–] Manic_Depressing 22 points 15 hours ago

Disclaimer at bottom

I am very interested to see if these trends hold over the next four to eight years, myself. I've noticed a trend in my time that the first two years or so of a new presidency/administration are still feeling and adjusting to the effects of the previous administration. I'm hesitant to attribute anything economical to this particular administration so early.

Disclaimer * I am young (26) and my political opinions are still forming and able to be influenced by solid fact-based debate.

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[–] Traxe33 7 points 11 hours ago

"influenced by solid fact-based debate."

Love this. I wish I would see more of this.

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[–] nopasties1 -1 points 10 hours ago

I despise Trump but the lower taxes probably stimulated some job growth. It also brought a $trillion deficit while corporations buy back stocks instead of investing with some of their tax cuts.

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[–] Manic_Depressing 2 points 8 hours ago

That's just one thing you can always trust to be true... Big corporations won't raise pay or hire more unless they think it'll make them more profit. Not sure exactly how higher-end tax cuts would've led to job creation outside of maybe small businesses, though I'm certainly open to learning more about it if I'm wrong.

I may be wrong on this too, but don't the tax rates revert back to their original state, for anyone under like $50k, after so many years?

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[–] HerschelRoy 0 points 8 hours ago

Yes the individual tax cuts expire in 2025 while the company tax cuts are permanent.

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[–] R97R 15 points 11 hours ago

Genuine question: how is the trade war a good thing? It seems to be screwing over a lot of people.

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[–] hyphyphyp 3 points 11 hours ago

But hey, all those failing farmers means the mcrib is gonna be here for a while!

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[–] Alexnu789 2 points 10 hours ago

China is cheating the system for too long for their own benefit and is time to teach them a lesson

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[–] R97R 4 points 10 hours ago

Is that worth the damage it will do in the long run though? I agree that China doesn't exactly play fair here, but it seems to be doing more damage to you guys than it is to China.

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[–] Alexnu789 3 points 9 hours ago

China's economic model isnt a sustainable one. They dont have much high tech technology, only rely on their cheap labors and high population. Trade War is exactly the way to deal with their model

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[–] mastersifo-diaz 1 point 12 minutes ago

They do have hight Tec technology, there phones and computers are way better than anything designed in the West, despite the fact they build all Western Tec, they have the most high speed rail of any country.

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[–] poo_pon_shoo 0 points 7 hours ago

But what about the damage it has done to our longstanding allies in Europe, Canada and Mexico? Our relationship with a number of countries has certainly soured over the trade war.

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[–] Alexnu789 3 points 7 hours ago

as long as there is benefits they will come to US, if there isnt anything beneficial to them even you knee down and beg them 3 days 72 hours they will not give a damn to you

EU needs US to deal with Russia aggression in Eastern Europe, Mexico and Canada just signed a new trade deal with US.

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[–] GetBTFO 2 points 9 hours ago

That is the thing, long term it is a great thing. Long term it will be better trade deals for us. We have been screwed over by China and other countries for many many years. This temporary sucky situation of a "trade war" is just that - temporary. After it's all said and done, we will benefit for good.

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[–] KillAllHumans1011001 3 points 10 hours ago

I don't actually disagree. But what about the bullshit around Canada, Mexico and the EU?

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[–] ExConBabysitter 1 point 9 hours ago

Ask the rice and soybean farmers that are now selling to China.

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[–] residue69 3 points 8 hours ago

Record U.S. Soybean Sale to China

>"Today's sale of 2.74 mmt of U.S. soybeans to China is the single largest daily soybean sale since USDA began issuing daily sales reports in 1977. This is another strong sign that China continues to look to the U.S. as a reliable supplier of high-quality products. This is great news not just for American soybean farmers, but for the U.S. economy overall."

>The U.S.-China trade relationship continues to flourish, thanks in large part to agriculture. U.S. farm exports to China have grown nearly tenfold over the past decade, from $1.5 billion in fiscal year 2000 to $15 billion in 2010. Each $1 billion in exports supports 8,000 jobs throughout the supply chain, including rural growers, processors, shippers and others.

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[–] ExConBabysitter 3 points 8 hours ago

Yes, exactly. People need to understand that China was butt fucking us in trade AND stealing from us. They were basically laughing in our faces at how unfair it was. Their GDP was blowing up and they kept playing the "underdeveloped country" card.

This is what fairness looks like. We had temporary pain while the game of chicken was going on, but once the Chinese market started to slow (still growing, but at a more reasonable rate) they realized we weren't backing down and are making some real concessions. This is actually a turning point for them because it signals they are a real super power now. No more 3rd hand outs. It's good for everyone.

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[–] violentbandana 1 point 10 hours ago

Lower taxes being funded by increased borrowing/debt is a bad thing though

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[–] YetiPOL 1 point 2 hours ago

You've basically said nothing.

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[–] egrith 1 point 10 hours ago

The last two are hold overs from Obama, the first just isn't good, and the second it depends

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[–] Wolfeur -40 points 10 hours ago

Lower tax is not by essence better

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[–] Animblenavigator 16 points 9 hours ago

Lower tax is 100% better, ask your parents. They are upstairs.

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[–] Scribble2thefloor 1 point 30 minutes ago

Do you call yourself a patriot when you hate contributing to your own country's development? Look at Norway's tax system and notice how they have one of the highest quality of life indexes in the world.

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[–] Wolfeur -5 points 9 hours ago

Not sure if you're serious or not…

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[–] Animblenavigator 11 points 9 hours ago

I'll repeat this to you in case maybe you don't understand.

Lower tax is 100% better, ask your parents. They are upstairs.

If you think the Government taking more of your money is a good thing then you're either brainwashed or don't have a job.

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[–] Wolfeur -2 points 9 hours ago

You know taxes have a purpose, right?

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[–] Animblenavigator 7 points 8 hours ago

For perpetual wars and funding Planned Parenthood so they can kill 3rd trimester babies?

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[–] Wolfeur 3 points 8 hours ago

Damn, and I'm the brainwashed one…

How about infrastructure, maintenance, justice, law enforcement, education, healthcare (oops, you don't have this one), defence and social aids?

But no, you're too concerned about abortion rights not fitting your — I suppose — religious views.

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[–] Animblenavigator 2 points 8 hours ago

The Governor of Virginia just advocated for post-birth "abortions" to babies. I have video if you want, you don't, you don't care.

Perpetual expansionist wars, that's where most of the taxes go to.

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[–] Wolfeur 9 points 8 hours ago

>Perpetual expansionist wars, that's where most of the taxes go to.

And lowering taxes won't change that.

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[–] Animblenavigator 1 point 8 hours ago

Yeah it would. It would put more money in my pocket to contribute to my local economy. It helps small/large businesses. It helps people stay employed so they can go out and buy things too.

That's how Capitalism works.

If you want more taxes, you either don't have a paycheck or live off someone else's that doesn't want more taxes.

Ask your mommy or daddy if they want more taxes withheld from their paycheck.

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[–] Wolfeur 3 points 8 hours ago

Listen dude, I live in the most taxed country in the world (or at least it was not long ago), with a medium part-time salary and I rent alone a good apartment in the center of the capital. I'm perfectly fine, and I have plenty of money.

What your system does is just draining the government's money, and unless they *do* change their military policy, it will just end up removing funds from other important parts of society.

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[–] Animblenavigator 1 point 8 hours ago

How big is your countries military?

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[–] **Wolfeur** 3 points 8 hours ago

Pretty much inexistent, we're a small country. Yet we're still highly taxed.

The point here is not about how taxes are spent, it's about how lowering taxes, in itself, is not a good thing (nor a bad thing for that matter). More money in your pocket always sounds fun, until you realize there is a price there.

Lower taxes is mostly a detriment to the poorer side of the population, because those are the people would need the most the services taxes pay for, and those who pay the least for those taxes.

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[–] **Sentient_Fedora** 1 point 20 minutes ago

> Pretty much inexistent, we're a small country.

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[–] **travelthief** 1 point 5 hours ago

No one is stopping you from paying more taxes fam.

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[–] **Wolfeur** 1 point 5 hours ago

I probably pay more taxes than you, you know…

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[–] **travelthief** 1 point 5 hours ago

Maybe I paid 4,000 in taxes last year how much did you pay?

I only reported like 30k too. I am not a rich man just a private contractor.

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[–] **Wolfeur** 1 point 5 hours ago

Rough estimate, 7200€. About 30% of my gross salary.

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[–] **travelthief** 1 point 5 hours ago

Wow! Yeah man that sucks. Do you feel good about contributing 30% or would you think Latin more would be more beneficial.

Do you get any of that back as a return? I didn't get any returns.

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[–] **Wolfeur** 1 point 5 hours ago

I'm fine with it. Recently went to ER, then the doctor, then the dentist. And it cost me virtually nothing.

No one here thinks about gross salary, it's pointless. Everyone just considers net salary as the only important part, and it's the only part we ever receive on our bank account, so gross salary is just the companies' problem, not ours.

It's my very first job, and it's not incredibly well paid, and I'm *very far* from poor. I have a good apartment I pay alone, I buy PC parts regularly, I donate money to charity, I pay for a therapist and I still got money to put in my savings. I wouldn't say no to being paid more, but as far as I'm concerned, that's for the company to pay me more, not for the state to tax me less.

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[–] **mashhawk10** 0 points 4 hours ago

More money in your own pocket is not better? Wow, news to me.

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[–] **Wolfeur** 1 point 4 hours ago

Because there is more to society than your own personal income…

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[–] **InsertRandomName85** 1 point 3 hours ago

Where do you live?

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[–] **Wolfeur** 2 points 3 hours ago

Why you ask?

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[–] **InsertRandomName85** 1 point 2 hours ago

Curiosity. Many Europeans cant seem to grasp how we have no universal health care among many other things. You seem supportive of higher taxes for the benefit of society etc. Americans pay a ton of taxes. It's where our dollars go is the problem.

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[–] Wolfeur 2 points 2 hours ago

I'm Belgian. We have the highest tax rate in the world. And we do know that you don't have healthcare, it's pretty much a meme.

Your taxes are low AF compared to Europe.

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[–] Scribble2thefloor 1 point 26 minutes ago

Would you rather pay no taxes and watch your country fall apart around you? Because that's the way it's heading.

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[–] TabascohFiascoh -17 points 10 hours ago

Especially at the expense of adding to the deficit greatly.

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[–] OnlineGodGaming -1 points 7 hours ago

Oh yeah! I forgot that if we take away 15 dollars from Average Joe instead of 70 dollars, we're removing from the national debt as opposed to lowering it 15 dollars instead of seventy while also leaving him with 85 dollars

(Dollars = % of earnings but people find this anecdote helpful)

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[–] huffliest_puff -22 points 10 hours ago

Especually since its really only benefiting rich people

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[–] d33thr0ughts 103 points 10 hours ago

For my side gig I sell some industrial parts, we got a higher commission on American made products, and lower on Chinese since it was much cheaper. All Chinese products are now 30-40% higher than the American replacement, so I'm making bank on my commission right now.

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[–] dumnem 7 points 7 hours ago

> All Chinese products are now 30-40% higher than the American replacement, so I'm making bank on my commission right now.

Heh if they choose chinese steel it's probably their own fault if structural integrity becomes a problem.

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[–] d33thr0ughts 9 points 7 hours ago

95% of the time a chinese replacement will work fine, it's that 5% that's super dangerous, I've had a customer return some forks that split in half due to bad moulds. I've seen some hoppers collapse due to bad welds. It's unreal the corners that are cut, and the effort to cover them up.

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[–] TaysteeTrina 2 points 4 hours ago

Like the bolts used on the Bay Bridge in San Francisco.

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[–] based_Valkyrie 6 points 6 hours ago

That's awesome!

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[–] coffeeaddict1021 93 points 17 hours ago

Improved relations with North Korea and the economy

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[–] Oda_nicullah 5 points 9 hours ago

...which, if nothing else, released hostages and brought soldiers remains back home.

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[–] Animblenavigator 1 point 9 hours ago

"He didn't do that, Obama did!"

- Idiot Drumph Hater That Is Fine With Killing 1 Minute Old Babies

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[–] crimsonc -13 points 16 hours ago

What laws has he passed that contributed to the economy, or would it have happened anyway due to laws put in place in the past/still recovering from the financial crisis?

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[–] Jihad_Shark 8 points 15 hours ago

Lower taxes objectively stimulates the economy

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[–] crimsonc -2 points 15 hours ago

Not quickly enough to explain the first two years

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[–] Jihad_Shark 3 points 8 hours ago

It's hilarious, taxes are literally a negative input in the gdp calculation equation. Not that any of these commenters took Econ 101, so it doesn't fit their narrative.

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[–] Jihad_Shark 3 points 15 hours ago

It's a trend that when republicans get elected, optimism for the future economy goes up and that in itself stimulates the economy in the present. It's a topic in macroeconomics - the expectation of the short term future has a large impact on what you do now.

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[–] littleirishmaid 6 points 8 hours ago

Reduced regulations.

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[–] rootbeerislifeman 1 point 9 hours ago

Not all economic changes are the result of legislation.

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[–] SquidCap -17 points 13 hours ago

No, he didn't. NK situation is same or worse. They made Trump look like an idiot.

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 37 points 12 hours ago

Imagine being so blinded by Trump hatred that you actually believe this.

When he was elected into office they were firing missiles over our allies. Now we are tearing down the demilitarized zone.

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[–] Dover939 -6 points 12 hours ago

dmz isn't going anywhere, save this comment and look at it in 2 years

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 6 points 12 hours ago

Keep up.

https://www.cbsnews.com/news/north-korea-south-korea-removing-land-mines-dmz-panmunjom-arrow-head-hill/

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[–] SquidCap 4 points 12 hours ago

https://www.vox.com/2019/1/30/18203569/trump-north-korea-intelligence-nuclear-kim

" Yet the annual **Worldwide Threat Assessment** report — released Tuesday by the heads of the CIA, National Security Agency, FBI, and many other federal agencies — clearly states that Pyongyang "is unlikely to give up all of its [nuclear] stockpiles, delivery systems, and production capabilities," and adds that "North Korean leaders view nuclear arms as critical to regime survival." "

The threat did not vanish anywhere, if something they are better further along as the moment Kim came to talks was the week his nuclear facility literally caved in. The talk about DMZ being torn down happened thru South Korea, trump had nothing to do with it. You can give him credit of opening the talks but the progress made is done DESPITE Trump, not cause of it..

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[–] IndianaTrumpTrain 3 points 11 hours ago

Progress made despite Trump huh? LMAO!!!!!

https://www.cnn.com/2018/04/26/world/korea-summit-kang-kyung-wha-amanpour-intl/index.html

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[–] Dover939 -2 points 12 hours ago

Did you just google and pull up the first result you saw that kinda sounded like it supported your claim or what? Removing mines has been done before. They'll be back.

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[–] hyphyphyp -4 points 11 hours ago

All he's done is give away all our bargaining chips for nothing.

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[–] yeahokqwerty 2 points 4 hours ago

What bargaining chips has he given away?

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[–] hyphyphyp 1 point 4 hours ago

Oops, nope you're right. I was under the impression we had lifted sanctions, but from what I'm reading we never got all the way there. My bad. I'll edit my comment to reflect that.

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[–] Animblenavigator 2 points 9 hours ago

In 5 years there won't be a DMZ because Korea will be united.

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[–] Dover939 3 points 8 hours ago

Hopefully

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[–] jarjarkinksXDD 0 points 7 hours ago

You are a new level of stupid

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[–] Dover939 1 point 7 hours ago

2/10 for lack of effort

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[–] Animblenavigator 1 point 9 hours ago

Take a hike, squiddo

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[–] Samwise_CXVII 90 points 12 hours ago

Record low unemployment, historic tax cuts, more jobs available than job seekers for the first time in half a century, constitutionalist judge nominations across the country and in the SCOTUS, negotiated North Korea out of wanting to nuke America, slashed harmful trade deals including NAFTA, which is being replaced by the USMCA (much more favorable to the US), slashed the Iran nuclear deal which was easily the stupidest thing ever established (allow for America-hating Iran to gain access to nuclear weapons technology...? Good one Obummer), forced the UN to pay their fair share (increased spending by $100b which takes a big load off of us US tax payers), restoring our military, trade relations with China improving (we're literally selling rice and soy beans to *China...* now), improvements on border security including fighting for the wall which ultimately will make controlling illegal border crossings and drugs (like the fentanyl we just seized which was enough to kill 40 million people), slashing regulations at record rates (for every one regulation establish by the Trump administration, they have cut 22 on average, which is a big boost to the economy), record days with record highs in the stock markets, etc etc.

The man has gotten more done in 2 years than any president. All in the face of the most opposition from the media and opposition party in history. One of the greatest things he's done is win in the face of attempted election rigging in the part of the Democrats. They literally had the 2016 election rigged in Hil-dawgs favor from stealing the primaries onward, and Trump still won. He has exposed liberalism and the party of intolerance, bigotry, racism, infanticide, open borders, crime, etc. There is no attempt at good faith negotiations over anything from the Democrats any more (house leader pelosi is the most unpopular politician nationally according to all up to date polls).

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[–] mastersifo-diaz 1 point 29 minutes ago

You do realise the reason Iran hates the US is cause you overthrew the democratically elected government and installed a US friendly dictator?

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[–] p4uld4r -3 points 11 hours ago

"A large amount of uncertainty surrounds soybean exports in the 2018-19 marketing. Currently, the USDA forecasts 2.06 billion bushels of soybean exports. Export sales for the next marketing year sit at 510.4 million bushels as of August 30, down 54.8 million bushels from last year. Sales to China came in at 46.5 million bushels, down 80 percent from the same time last year."
https://farmdocdaily.illinois.edu/2018/09/soybean-exports-since-onset-of-tariffs.html

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[–] retisense 3 points 7 hours ago

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-01-31/trump-says-china-soybean-purchase-to-take-place-now-amid-talks

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[–] llamallama-dingdong -2 points 7 hours ago

Woo hoo, selling a lot fewer of them beans to china! So good for the farmers we had to give them $12 billion to keep them afloat.

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[–] **flxwertxwer** 87 points 12 hours ago

pops popcorn and sorts by controversial

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[–] **jcks2236** 1 point 34 minutes ago

How could I forget thanks for the reminder

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[–] **marcellokul** 85 points 10 hours ago

Venezuela

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[–] **primerush** 83 points 6 hours ago

My tax return this year was twice as much as last year's, so that was good

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[–] **notsurewhatiam** 3 points 3 hours ago

2 x 0 = 0

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[–] **lespaulstrat2** -28 points 6 hours ago

AS long as you are comfortable with the fact that it was just added to the almost 1 trillion deficit, enjoy your money.

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[–] **primerush** 15 points 6 hours ago

i am very comfortable with that, thank you.

Don't get me wrong, i loathe Trump. I think he is a vile human being, but i did get twice my last tax return back. My wife and i are middle class and live in new york and are being drowned in taxes ($7k property taxes last year on an $85k house) and between daycare costs and raising kids it's impossible to do anything but slowly sink further into debt. So this was good, for me.

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[–] **lespaulstrat2** -5 points 2 hours ago

Tax reductions are fine if they are accompanied by reduction in spending. Trump reduced taxes and increased spending. I am glad you don't mind having your kids and grand kids pay off the debt so you can enjoy your lifestyle.

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[–] **ImpressivePlayer** 82 points 5 hours ago

Holy Fuck I cant believe my eyes, a thread like this ending up on the front page. Is this still reddit?

Mods y'all better remove it quick

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[–] **OmniscientArmadillo** 4 points an hour ago

And everyone complains that reddit is just filled with commies and that all right-wing thought is suppressed

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[–] **ThrowawayBCtolLeft** 1 point 34 minutes ago

A needle in the haystack doesn't really prove much IMO. Browse /r/all sometime if you don't already, it's really something.

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[–] **OmniscientArmadillo** 1 point 22 minutes ago

I am aware that there's lots of liberals out there, especially on politics and politicalhumor and such. But righties have their places too, with conservative, t_d, ancap, etc...

It should be no surprise that more people online are liberals, considering the demographics. And brigading does happen.

But there's a reason you still see thousands of upvotes on center/right comments and posts. Even if they are less vocal the right-wing has a significant presence here, and they love to act as if they're always being banned and suppressed.

Obviously I'm biased but I would actually say reddit does a decent job with censorship. Both sides have their spaces. Besides, conservatives are a minority in the country anyway - so maybe not so underrepresented

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[–] **wolfygirl** 3 points an hour ago

No kidding! This is amazing!

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[–] **SquirtyPus** 78 points 12 hours ago

He's proved that you don't have to be an establishment politician to become president. This potentially opens the door for people who have real policies that Americans want, such as Sanders, to get into office, whereas before they would have been buried by safe, sanitary establishment democrats who aren't even real liberals. Which is what happened in the DNC in 2016, by the way. Bernie would have crushed Trump easily, but they conspired to push establishment milquetoast Hillary.

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[–] **MakeAmericaRichAgain** 91 points 10 hours ago

Completely agree that his example of not being an establishment politician is incredibly helpful.

Side note, you'd have a lot of work to do to convince me that a sitting Senator who, in his lifetime, has served as a Mayor for 8 years, a House Representative for 16 years, and a Senator for 12 years (and running), is not an establishment politician.

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[–] **JingyBreadMan 37 points** 9 hours ago

Or a socialist.

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[–] **MakeAmericaRichAgain 9 points** 9 hours ago

I don't anyone is debating whether or not Senator Sanders is socialist. I think the debate centers on the effectiveness of socialism as a means of positively impacting class mobility.

As an aside: whether the users of reddit choose to believe it or not, liberals and conservatives have an awful lot in common. We both want societal systems that are moral and fair. We both want to protect the rights of the individual. We both want to alleviate poverty and encourage achievement.

The only real problem is, people can't just sit down and talk about the best way to achieve those goals without calling each other names. There used to be a civil discourse on how we could make the world a better place. Now it's just cuck this and nazi that, and our country is paying the price.

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[–] **YetiPOL 1 point** 2 hours ago

>there used to be civil discourse

lmao, when?

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[–] **Z01dbrg -3 points** 6 hours ago

> We both want to protect the rights of the individual.

lol

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[–] **captainslowww (deleted by user) 1 point** 4 hours ago

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Is it though? *(Full disclosure: I fucking hate the guy, and my post is biased accordingly)* I feel like, going forward, people will be less receptive to unconventional/inexperienced/outsider Presidential candidates precisely because he's been such a dumpster fire. Had the first example of the species been somebody competent and ethical, the country would probably be more supportive of such candidates in the future. Now any such candidate will not only have to explain why voters should take a chance on an unknown quantity, but also why they'll be different from Trump.

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[–] **MakeAmericaRichAgain 3 points** 4 hours ago

First, it's important to ask: Are you an American? I ask because a lot of people on Reddit who "hate Trump" aren't even from America, and I'm not a big fan of people from other countries telling us how we can or can't run our country.

Assuming you're one of us, I'd say that I don't think your assessment of the current President as a "dumpster fire" is very accurate. As a middle-class worker myself, I'm actually relatively happy with more than a few changes that the current President has made to our economy. The tax cut put money back into my pocket, as well as the pockets of the 80-90% of people, almost entirely lower-and-middle-class employees, who claim the standard deduction every year. The doubling of the Earned Child Tax Credit gives another $1000 per child back to our working poor and lower-middle class citizens. Tax revenue from businesses is actually up slightly, meaning we were probably leaving some money on the table in previous years by being a little too high on the Laffer curve's "taxes vs GDP" sweet spot. Tech people are seeing record wage increases as the administration continues to curb H1B visa abuse. Wages in general are up at fast-growing rates, as the market continues to bear out more available jobs than available workers. Interest rates are coming back up - a sign that the economy is stable enough to not collapse if borrow money becomes a little more difficult.

There's been some wins outside of the economy, as well. Effectively eliminating ISIS and current plans to withdraw troops from multiple areas are a welcome sight from me. I think most of us would agree that less military intervention is almost always better. Meaningful VA reform finally got done under the current administration, giving our troops the health care choices they'll need as they return home, while also expanding mental illness assistance programs for vets, and allowing elderly veterans to seek (and afford) in-home treatment. The 2018 farm bill that separates hemp from industrial marijuana seems poised to revolutionize several industries, and analysts are incredibly bullish on cannabis stocks in general. There's a lot to like in the criminal justice reform bill that passed in December 2018. These are all great things that I support versus their respective statuses before the President took action.

I know it's really easy to get caught up in all of this "Trump is evil racist Nazi Hitler" stuff that you hear everyone talking about all of the time. But, I think it's important to remember that Donald Trump is just some guy. He's not this tyrannical, larger-than-life, cult of personality who's hellbent on ruining the planet. He's just some guy. He bought some properties, developed them, sold them, and made a decent chunk of change. He took that chunk of change, ran for President, and won. The guy basically works for free by not taking a

salary, and Forbes estimates that he's lost $500m in net worth since he became President. Sure, he's got the attitude of an asshole. Sure, he speaks in hyperbole more than he speaks in analytical fact. His hair is ugly, he says the word "huge" awkwardly, and I'm not a fan of the T H I C C neckties. He probably doesn't have a great conceptual understanding of the arguments for and against human-caused climate change. None of this bothers me, because he doesn't need to be the greatest human being who ever walked the face of the planet to do a decent job at being President. He just has to keep doing what he's doing, and that's to represent US, to make decisions that make OUR lives easier, and that help US to achieve my goals.

I'm a big believer that there's no such thing as a good politician. However, the current President is better than most. And even if you still disagree, that's ok, too. At least he hasn't dropped 100,000 bombs on the Middle East and tried to cover it up by filling out some March Madness brackets and calling Kanye West a jackass.

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[–] **Bowserbob1979** **38 points** 9 hours ago

I lost faith in Bernie when I saw video of him saying people standing in food lines is a good thing. Fuck the idea of that. I know the extra context and that line still pissed me off.

https://youtu.be/zJBjjP8WSbc

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[–] **YetiPOL** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Do you have faith in Trump?

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[–] **Bowserbob1979** **0 points** 2 hours ago

No. I hated it but voted for Clinton. I didn't like anyone.

I can say while I wish Trump would stay the fuck off social media, I don't think it is the end of the world with him as president. I hope things will go well and don't hope for him to fail.

If I'm being honest, I think Trump has dementia. Some of the way he acts reminds me of the crazy shit that happened with my mom at the end of her life.

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[–] **YetiPOL (deleted by user)** **1 point** 2 hours ago

Do/did you have faith in Clinton?

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[–] **YetiPOL** **1 point** 2 hours ago

Wait, I'm confused. You lost faith in Bernie because of that? Really?

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[–] **Bowserbob1979** **2 points** an hour ago

Yes. That idea fundamentally is horrible.

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[–] **YetiPOL** **0 points** an hour ago

So you'd prefer if people starved to death?

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[–] **Bowserbob1979** **2 points** an hour ago

No, I would prefer it if it never came to that. And socialism and communism pretty much always come to that in huge numbers. Our mixed economy isn't perfect, but it is a damned sight better then that.

What kind of sick fuck would prefer people to starve. Good lines should be a last resort and not lauded as a good thing. Even in that context.

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[–] **YetiPOL** **0 points** an hour ago

It is relatively good when compared to people starving to death. I refuse to believe that you actually think that Bernie supports food shortages.

>And socialism and communism pretty much always come to that in huge numbers.

I don't see people lining up for food here in Socialist Poland. In fact, there is much less urban poverty here than in the US.

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[–] **GetBTFO** **30 points** 9 hours ago

Great point - up until the Sanders part. That dude has made a living (and gotten rich) off of sitting in government.

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[–] **SmoteySmote** **7 points** 6 hours ago

And sitting in first class.

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[–] **YetiPOL** **-2 points** 2 hours ago

>gotten rich

lmao

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[–] IntelligentAct4 14 points 8 hours ago

> Bernie would have crushed Trump easily

I really don't think an old Jewish socialist who doesn't understand economics would have had a chance.

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[–] YetiPOL 1 point 2 hours ago

Maybe, but Bernie would.

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[–] crimsonpowder 11 points 8 hours ago

I feel like the same thing happened to Ron Paul. The entire establishment is corrupt and I for one look forward to ALL fresh blood representing us.

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[–] SquanchingOnPao 2 points 7 hours ago

Bernie is a lifelong career politician, you are being distracted by the supposed free stuff.

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[–] BonzaiBananas 1 point 5 hours ago

If Bernie was against Trump it would of been a close battle. with the winner being one or the other.

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[–] 2SCOOPS2TERMS410 1 point 5 hours ago

Socialism will destroy this country.

Sanders wants taxes that our economy can't provide.

Voting for people like that will make us the next Venezuela.

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[–] nedeta 75 points 19 hours ago

Nafta renegotiation. I generally despise the man. But he did that one thing kinda well.

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[–] Alaishana -52 points 18 hours ago

There is hardly a difference to the previous treaty.

Certainly not something you would understand or that would make any difference in your life.

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[–] deadmeerkat 26 points 15 hours ago

r/iamverysmart

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[–] Alaishana -16 points 8 hours ago

smarter and better informed than you, certainly. But that is a low bar

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[–] 69thicc 16 points 17 hours ago

Ok mister teenager

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[–] Z01dbrg 68 points 6 hours ago

Exposed the media bias. I can not remember any time in history when entire MSM tried to smear and attack somebody that hard... and it failed.

Libertarians knew about this from 2008, but I think TDS really made this clear to 10s of millions of Americans.

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[–] 3kindsofsalt 18 points 5 hours ago

> Libertarians knew about this from 2008

here here!

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[–] AllahHatesFags 64 points 5 hours ago

He killed the TPP, which was a pile of shit that was written by multinational corporations to screw everybody over.

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[–] **HeyZeusChrist** **63 points** 5 hours ago

The unemployment rate has dropped to 3.8%, tying an 18-year low
http://archive.is/Zq5uV

Black unemployment has dropped to 5.9%, an ALL TIME low
http://archive.is/5OTKE

Hispanic unemployment has dropped to 4.5%, an ALL TIME low
http://archive.fo/Fp8vw

Youth unemployment at a 52 year low
http://archive.fo/qHdW9

Ongoing unemployment drops to lowest level since December 1973
http://archive.fo/OaLgY

14 states hit record-low unemployment
http://archive.is/MgbEC

Texas Jobless Rate Hits 40-Year Record Low of 3.9 Percent
http://archive.is/R8sn9

The unemployment rate in manufacturing dropped to 2.6%, the lowest in US history
http://archive.is/hUnl1

There are more jobs than people out of work, something the American economy has never experienced before
https://www.cnbc.com/2018/06/05/there-are-more-jobs-than-people-out-of-work.html

Thanks to tax cuts, companies' overseas profits now flooding back to US
https://www.investors.com/politics/editorials/overseas-profits-return

Small business optimism jumps to highest since 1983
http://archive.is/bgL16

Gas prices at a 12-year low
http://archive.is/Xdq12

OPEC countries give into Trump's demands, agree to increase oil production by almost 1 million barrels a day
http://archive.fo/MxdEM

Pulled out of TPP
http://archive.is/8jHzK

USA set to be world's largest oil producer
http://archive.is/RyMKt

CBO says April 2018 was the best month in history for the US budget - surplus of $218 billion
http://archive.is/Zj1Jd

US workers see biggest pay, benefit increase in 10 years
http://archive.fo/fKaIz

Record $300 billion repatriated to USA
http://archive.fo/SXgzG

Electric, gas and water rates falling due to tax cuts
http://archive.fo/AJrv7

The U.S. had a trade deficit of $323 billion with China in 2018. China agreed to increase its annual import of U.S. goods by a combined value of over $1 trillion aiming to reduce that annual trade difference to $0 by 2024.
https://www.cnbc.com/2019/01/18/china-to-offer-path-to-eliminate-trade-imbalance-with-us-report.html

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[–] **YetiPOL** **-6 points** 2 hours ago

This is quite disingenuous. Unemployment has been decreasing for years now; it's not because of Trump.

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[–] **HeyZeusChrist** **2 points** 2 hours ago

https://youtu.be/LL-XB7rw4OM

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[–] **YetiPOL** **-3 points** 2 hours ago

There is nothing about the unemployment rate in this video.

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[–] **HeyZeusChrist** **4 points** an hour ago

New business applications surging.

Prime-age workers re-entering the workforce.

Blue collar job growth.

Not to mention all of the links I posted above going into more detail which I know you didn't look at...

Bruh, Trump is doing a good job. Just accept the fact and be happy. No reason to live in anger all the time.

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[–] **YetiPOL** **-3 points** an hour ago

Why run circles around unemployment? Why not just look at the unemployment rate? Ignoring uncomfortable data, perhaps?

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[–] **HeyZeusChrist** **5 points** an hour ago

When you look at the unemployment rate there's a level of plateauing during obama's last 18 months in office. It doesn't begin to lower again until Trump takes office.

There's some uncomfortable data for you.

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[–] YetiPOL 1 point an hour ago

The rate of decrease in unemployment seems to have actually slowed down under Trump (in general).

Also, https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/unemployment-rate

Get rid of the bias.

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[–] HeyZeusChrist 1 point 45 minutes ago

You mean it slowed down once it hit historic lows and the fed began to raise interest rates?

Yup... that's likely to happen.

If you want to get rid of the bias, you should probably stop clinging to this notion that Obama is running this administration.

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[–] nuclearfarts99 -9 points 2 hours ago

Let's see here...

I think this can all be summed up in two words: Thanks, Obama.

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[–] HeyZeusChrist 6 points an hour ago

Lmao Hahaha... I needed that, thank you.

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[–] PutnamPete 62 points 8 hours ago

Not a fan myself, but he did prevent Hillary Clinton from becoming president. I hated that woman. Crooked as a dog's hind leg but sneakier at it than Trump.

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[–] homicidal_bird 1 point 45 minutes ago

Genuine question: why don't people like Hillary? I keep looking around and asking people but never getting a straight answer other than "she's mean :("

I'm pretty against Trump, and had considered myself a Hillary supporter, but I'd like to know what she's done so maybe I can reconsider my views.

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[–] NightKnight909 61 points 18 hours ago

He's avoided conflict with North Korea, brought tons of jobs back into the country, and some other things I can't be bothered to look up.

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[–] Animblenavigator 5 points 9 hours ago

Not only has he avoided conflict with NoKo, but he did so using Dennis Fuckin' Rodman. He also is bringing NoKo and SoKo together. We may have a unified Korea within the Trump Presidency.

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[–] cmchn 1 point 6 hours ago

Rodman is dunking on tyranny.

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[–] AtomicLobsters 3 points 5 hours ago

Remember when liberals kept screeching that he was going to attack North Korea? Most progress in 70+ years there. Hillary was the warhawk who would have attacked NK, and we sure as hell wouldn't be pulling out of Syria and Afghanistan.

Everyday the medianis trying to convince me that I actually want troops to stay in Afghanistan, where US soldiers die for nothing. The media is a sick joke.

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[–] NightKnight909 1 point 4 hours ago

Exactly. Even if Donald isn't doing everything right (which he isn't because no one can), he's still way better than what Hillary would've been.

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[–] Lowtiercomputer -1 points 9 hours ago

He created the conflict with Kim Jong Un!

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[–] cryptaloo -20 points 17 hours ago

Avoided conflict with NK? Nothing has changed in 50 years.

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[–] Samwise_CXVII 25 points 12 hours ago

In case you have no clue (which by the sounds of it you don't), Kim Jong Un was ramping up IBM testing for nuclear attack launches. After the Obama administration the tensions between the us and nk had never been worse. Trump stopped that and established a foundation for a relationship with nk. They have been in the process of denuclearizing ever since.

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[–] Zazool 2 points 9 hours ago

> They have been in the process of denuclearizing ever since.

I saw this week that NK hasn't been denuclearizing at all, and had more silos than expected.

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[–] Dover939 -24 points 12 hours ago

sorry dude, but trump didn't do anything. North korea does this shit all the time. They start making threats, get everyone afraid of them, then they settle down after a "fantastic negotation session", and let the money flow in because trade restrictions get lifted, ultimately making NK stronger than before.

TL;DR trump got played just like everyone else before him

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[–] Animblenavigator 7 points 9 hours ago

"s-s-sorry dude, t-t-trump didn't do anything. It w-w-as Obama that did it. It was Obama!!!!!!"

- You, the idiot

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[–] Dover939 0 points 8 hours ago

I didn't say anything about Obama. You ok bud?

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[–] Animblenavigator 1 point 8 hours ago

NPC Programming:

10 If Trump does something good then goto 20 else 30 20 Print "Obama policies was the reason why" 30 Print "DRUMPH! Orange Man Bad!"

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[–] screenwritingguy (deleted by user) 1 point 9 hours ago

It wasn't too long ago when NK would threaten the US every single day almost. This really isn't happening anymore, and whether they're rebuilding their nuke sites or what, it's been a significant gap between the last threat.

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[–] Samwise_CXVII -5 points 12 hours ago

Thank you for reassuring me of your NPC status.

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[–] Dover939 -1 points 12 hours ago

Forced meme. Lame pejorative. Zero substance. Sad.

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[–] Cyphinox 1 point 8 hours ago

Ironic seeing a leftist trying to judge memes

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[–] Dover939 1 point 8 hours ago

Not a leftist. Whoops.

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[–] Jackpot807 9 points 10 hours ago

There's never been a dialogue between North and South Korea like this before, just admit it already

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[–] G-Newf -3 points 10 hours ago

Yeah, thanks South Korea!

They've been working hard on this problem and it shows.

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[–] Jackpot807 5 points 10 hours ago

If you don't want to even think trump has anything to do with the equation, I don't care. Peace is still peace.

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[–] residue69 2 points 8 hours ago

South Korean president credits Trump with bringing North Korea to the table

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[–] G-Newf 1 point 8 hours ago

"His government has been going to great lengths to avoid antagonizing the American president, who has been capricious on issues including the South Korea-U.S. trade deal. "

""Moon is not trying to claim any of the credit here. He's giving it to Kim for suggesting these talks in his New Year's Day speech and to Trump for his tough talk," Delury said. "This is because Moon has embarked on a patient and steady diplomatic track.""

Well obviously, they both know stroking Trumps ego is an easy way to manipulate him. A few nice words from a dictator and Trump is ready to suck the shit out of their ass. It literally says in the article the South is being nice to Trump because he has the temperament of a child and it's easier to just appease him with kind words to keep him out of it than say the wrong thing and have him declare war via twitter.

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[–] residue69 1 point 8 hours ago

Your quote is not from President Moon, but from John Delury.

President Moon said *"I give President Trump huge credit for bringing about the inter-Korean talks, and I'd like to thank him for that,"*.

John Delury also said *"Moon is not trying to claim any of the credit here. He's giving it to Kim for suggesting these talks in his New Year's Day speech and to Trump for his tough talk,"*.

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[–] Animblenavigator 4 points 9 hours ago

Tell that to the North and South Korean families that reunited! There are families that were separated by that DMZ that haven't seen each other in so many years.

You may have not known this, gosh I wonder why the Media didn't report on this landmark event? I guess they have to spend a day on a fake fucking "racist attack" but not on anything positive?

Maybe you did know this, but hate orange man so much that you don't really care about families reuniting.

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[–] TysonButterbean (deleted by user) 1 point 15 hours ago

See this is the problem with people who don't actually follow the news having strong opinions about things.

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[–] monkeyviking 59 points 8 hours ago

I don't like Trump as a person, but he got us out of Syria so I'll take it.

Granted that's throwing a wrench in the "strangle BRICS" foreign policy of the last four administrations. Good. There are other ways of winning that don't involve endless wars, or assassinating American Citizens without due process, or any of the other horrible shit my "countrymen" have allowed to occur over the last 30ish years that completely undermine our sovereignty and our National Identity.

That act alone makes him leagues better than the last four clowns who warmed his seat.

He's handed down some decent pardons too. Doubt he'll do much toward criminal justice reform, but his pardons give me hope.

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 35 points 7 hours ago

He just signed criminal justice reform. Look up the First Step Act.

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[–] monkeyviking 18 points 7 hours ago

Will do. I've been avoiding politics but all the hysterical hoaxes lately are drawing me back in.

Tired of watching people being attacked for no reason just because a mob is TV growing ac tantrum.

Thanks!

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 1 point 7 hours ago

If you want a good source of information about the president, I recommend the YouTube channel Golden State Times. Their videos are all completely unedited press conferences, speeches, whatever. I warn you though the video titles are extremely clickbait-y but the videos are legit. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWXPkK02j6MHW-4xCJzgMuw/videos

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[–] based_Valkyrie 8 points 6 hours ago

Thank you for bringing up "assassinating American citizens" major abuse of power

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[–] mastersifo-diaz 1 point 30 minutes ago

Fuck off with your socialist buzzwords, don't you ever lecture us on healthcare when you have the highest infant mortality rate in the first world, and some of the highest per capita medical costs.

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[–] __celli 58 points 10 hours ago

His tax reform has been incredible. He's finally overcoming the rampant antisemitism from the Obama administration. He's stopped the support to Iran, which is the biggest supporter of terrorism world wide. He's recognized Israel as the home of the Jews and has moved the American embassy. He also supports the building of the third temple. He's secured the release of 16 Americans from foreign captivity. He appointed the first female CIA director. He's eased tension with Russia and NK giving no concessions to Pyongyang. He's delivered debilitating blows to ISIS. And he supported Brett Kavanaugh through all the shit.

For all of the media scandals trump has been involved in, he's done an incredible job actually running the country. He's fixed many of Obama's fuck ups and reversed the blatantly antisemitic policies.

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[–] llamallama-dingdong 2 points 7 hours ago

How did those early training exercises with South Korea go last year?

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[–] YetiPOL 1 point 2 hours ago

Isn't Saudi Arabia the biggest supporter of terrorism?

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[–] mastersifo-diaz 1 point 23 minutes ago

Yep and the government literally sponsored fucking 9/11.

Iran hates the US cause you replaced there democracy with a dictator who tortured and killed them.

And Israel's existence is in violation of the Geneva convention.

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[–] mrevansuk 58 points 19 hours ago

Here are some supposedly good things he's done during his time in office. Not my views, just tried to find a relatively unbiased article on google.

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[–] zanbato 20 points 16 hours ago

I know you're saying it's not your views, but you did call it unbiased so I've got to reply. This list is fairly right-wing, with some additions that are pretty debatable. Some items aren't really accomplishments, some are actually lies, some are super weird. I'd go so far as to say that you're a bad person for trying to pass this list off as unbiased.

some good examples are:

Putting a focus on immigration. Under Obama, a budget was signed that actually had a lot more money for immigration control/border security. It just wasn't about a stupid wall so nobody cared.

Giving respect to WHITE working class voters. The list is blatantly stating he only gives respect to white people. That's kind of weird to put in a list of accomplishments.

Creating new jobs. History shows that any job loss/growth in the first 2 years of a presidency is a result of the previous president's efforts. Typically because it takes about that long for a president's policies to start having an impact on the economy.

"Impressive supreme court candidates" This is a clearly right wing stance. These people have opinions about the law that I'd even call regressive.

Defy global warming alarmists. This is stupid, 99% of the scientific community isn't being "alarmist." They are simply trying to give us a chance to not fuck ourselves over. Also it should be call climate change, so that idiots will stop focusing on the warming part every time climate change causes extreme cold.

Renegotiate trade deals. So far I'm pretty sure that all his trade wars have done is make things worse for both sides of every deal.

ending DACA. Yes, clearly making 3 year olds that don't speak english represent themselves in court at their asylum hearings was a great move for the leader of a supposedly civilized country.

I think that about does it, he has admittedly done some good things. And the rest of the things are debatable enough that I'll just let them slide. I just couldn't in good conscience let you call a bunch of that stuff "good things" and "unbiased".

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[–] mrevansuk 6 points 8 hours ago

Let me just clear this up. I spent a few minutes on Google looking for an article about the "good things" Trump has done. (And note: I did use the word "supposed" in my post) When I said unbiased I meant that I was looking for something that wasn't completely biased against him, as all the rest were just mocking him. It's not my article and admittedly I hardly even read it, it was 4am and I was tired, and I just hit copy and paste.

I'm from the UK and so what Trump does hardly affects me and I barely hear about most of it. So when I said "not my views" I meant it. My intention wasn't to try and get people to see him in a better light, it was just to answer the original question, and I used Google because I don't follow American politics enough to know what's going on or give a detailed answer of my own.

I understand where you're coming from and your reply is completely valid, except for the part where you've called me a bad person. I try to be a good person so I'd appreciate it if you didn't make judgments on me based on something I did just trying to present a different view (because all of the other answers were just joking about him) and answer somebody's question.

I'll think again in future before lazily copy and pasting.

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[–] Regl_b 2 points 6 hours ago

Okay I'll bite.

So Obama got a lot more funding for immigration and border security, and it's still a huge issue. Trump plans to not only do a better job, but with less money. That sounds pretty good to me.

WHITE working class voters. I agree that's really weird.

History... your going to have to prove that one. That smells like a parrot of Fake News talking points. Furthermore, Obama doubled the deficit, so if I was an American, I would expect more jobs on top of weekly state sponsored blowjobs.

Yes, I agree the supreme court has become a tainted political shit show. It's been that way for quite some time.

If I say 99% of scientists agree you have a small penis, does that make it true? Your parroting Fake News talking points again. That's not even a provable statistic, let alone without heavy bias. In fact, the whole global warming issue is full of bias. Why? Because the energy industry is fucking massive. There's so much money at stake that it can't possibly be a clean argument.

Renegotiating trade deals should happen more often. The US is in a great position and should use that to their advantage. As a Canadian, I can't blame them for favoring their own citizens, and I hope the people representing me do the same.

I thought Trump caved on DACA. As long as he gets his wall.

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[–] **storyreversal** **2 points** 14 hours ago

> Putting a focus on immigration. Under Obama, a budget was signed that actually had a lot more money for immigration control/border security. It just wasn't about a stupid wall so nobody cared.

Fun, we're going to pretend like Obama tried to do anything about illegal immigration? Oh, well, "a budget was signed" that had money in it! OK! Nevermind that he used an executive order to create DACA which basically encouraged mass illegal immigration.

>Giving respect to WHITE working class voters. The list is blatantly stating he only gives respect to white people. That's kind of weird to put in a list of accomplishments.

Yeah, so? The Democrats do this for every minority group - respect for the blacks, respect for the hispanics, respect for the gays, bla bla bla. It's nice to have a President that has respect for the white working class, who in the eyes of the Democrat elite (and much of the GOP elite) should shut up and die of an opioid overdose already.

>Creating new jobs. History shows that any job loss/growth in the first 2 years of a presidency is a result of the previous president's efforts. Typically because it takes about that long for a president's policies to start having an impact on the economy.

OH, well, if "history shows" then I guess we'll just believe you, guy. Fun economic theories you have here, I can't wait to see the data behind your assertion.

>"Impressive supreme court candidates" This is a clearly right wing stance. These people have opinions about the law that I'd even call regressive.

And yet you don't mention what those are. I'm sure you'll go google something and come back with some bullshit though. These guys are definitely more qualified than Sotomayor was, that's for damn sure.

>Defy global warming alarmists. This is stupid, 99% of the scientific community isn't being "alarmist." They are simply trying to give us a chance to not fuck ourselves over. Also it should be call climate change, so that idiots will stop focusing on the warming part every time climate change causes extreme cold.

"They're simply trying to give us a chance to not fuck ourselves over." LOL sure they fucking are. They're using this boogeyman to try to institute all kinds of taxes and rules that won't do shit to solve the problem, but will certainly accumulate more power and control for them. Trump has rightfully laughed at their bullshit.

>Renegotiate trade deals. So far I'm pretty sure that all his trade wars have done is make things worse for both sides of every deal.

Oh, well, if *you* are "pretty sure" then I guess we can just dismiss all of that!

>ending DACA. Yes, clearly making 3 year olds that don't speak english represent themselves in court at their asylum hearings was a great move for the leader of a supposedly civilized country.

LOL do you even fucking know what DACA is? Do you think it has anything to do with how 3 year olds' cases get processed? DACA was an end-run around immigration law created via executive order by Obama so he could avoid deporting a massive group of illegal immigrants. Fuck the DACA people, they all need to go back.

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[–] **DUTCHWIZARD** **3 points** 6 hours ago

I don't see why you are being downvoted for calling out a shill. Oops, almost forget this was reddit we're on.

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[–] **SquidCap** **2 points** 13 hours ago

>OH, well, if "history shows" then I guess we'll just believe you, guy.

https://www.cnbc.com/2017/05/25/how-trumps-3-percent-gdp-growth-target-compares-with-past-presidents.html

or just fucking google it. It is well known, studied and proven in practice.: https://www.google.com/search?ei=dz1UXNdChJSyAdm0vsgK&q=us+presidential+transition+economic+growth&oq=us+presidential+transition+economy+grow&gs_l

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[–] **storyreversal** **3 points** 13 hours ago

Your first link does not in any way demonstrate what we were discussing - whether job and economic growth in the first two years of a Presidency is affected by the current President, or is leftover from the prior President. It doesn't address that in any way. So I'm not sure why you posted it.

Also, fun point while we have it up: that CNBC article is from May 2017, and it's full of them basically doubting that Trump can hit 3% GDP growth:

>Democratic lawmakers and many private economists have expressed skepticism about the budget and its ambitious 3 percent growth target.

>"The numbers don't add up," Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., told Mulvaney Thursday.

Can you go look, pal? Let us know if the numbers in fact added up?

As for your google search, is there a particular article you want me to look at? A particular thing that backs up these claims that the entire 2 first years of economic and job growth that Trump has presided over are actually only attributable to Obama (as if, of course, the President controls the entire economy, which he doesn't, but I digress)?

I mean do you have anything that actually addresses this thing that you claim is well known, studied and proven in practice? Besides just a google search? I notice the article you posted from CNBC (you know, the one that doesn't address the claim we're discussing, at all) is the 5th result in your search... did you think *that* was relevant? Did you even read the comments to which you are replying???

I'm very disappointed in you.

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[–] **SquidCap** **1 point** 12 hours ago

> I mean do you have anything that actually addresses this thing that you claim is well known, studied and proven in practice? Besides just a google search?

Do you have any proof that moon isn't cheese? That is your line of argumentation. It is well studied and well known FACT that economy does NOT change overnight. In this topic, google search should be enough. What you are after are single. solitary piecese that you can debunk one by one, using what ever metrics. i admit that i took the first article on that search.

But you know perfectly well that economy is a continuation and that POTUS changing has very little effect. What we can show is that Trumps tax cuts for ex did not create any new jobs. And that is the consistent line across all his policies. But you are not interested in that...thing... called truth. Nope, you want to win this debate.

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[–] **storyreversal** **2 points** 12 hours ago

> Do you have any proof that moon isn't cheese? That is your line of argumentation

No it's not. I'm asking you to prove a positive statement - that the first 2 years of job and economic growth of a Presidency is actually entirely caused by his predecessor. That's not the same as asking someone to prove a negative.

You keep saying "it's well studied" but you can't show me the study. Just "go google it." If it's THAT easy to find, then why can't you find it and post it?

>What you are after are single. solitary piecese that you can debunk one by one

No, I'm after ANYTHING AT ALL that supports this claim. So far you've given us "it's well known" and "it's common sense" and "you know perfectly well" and "just google it bro."

Pretty pathetic. My disappointment in you continues to grow!

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[–] **AlwaysLosingAtLife** **-7 points** 13 hours ago

Wtf why was this garbage gilded?

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[–] **storyreversal** **8 points** 13 hours ago

because we're making america great again and there's nothing you can do about it

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[–] **Nasty_Old_Trout** **-6 points** 13 hours ago

Nah, it was mastorbatoury gild.

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[–] **Nasty_Old_Trout** **2 points** 13 hours ago

He did it himself.

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[–] **huffliest_puff** **0 points** 10 hours ago

So people can read his nonsense?

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[–] **zanbato** **-11 points** 14 hours ago

So you've proved my point that the list was biased at least, thanks for that.

I don't know how you can think more money to things that have been proven to be more effective than walls is a bad thing but okay.

Alright, so you're racist, good good, and you also didn't notice that Trump has actually made things worse for the working class. I mean I didn't call it out for you to argue about but do I have to do all the work?

I do hope you take the time to do the research yourself, you'll see the trends. Or you could use common sense and figure out that whatever economic changes a president makes 1-2 years after coming into office don't actually effect the state of the economy before those changes go into effect.

Did you miss the whole thing where Brett Kavanaugh is basically against most human rights type decision the supreme court has made in the past decade, or the part where sexually assaulted a bunch of people?

So you may not know this, but scientists publish their findings independently from whatever economic or political machinations are going on. In fact, none of the people studying climate change really benefit from any policy changes that might be made, other than, you know, their kids won't be fucked over. Just like the rest of us.

Alright, I'll go ahead and challenge you to figure out how higher tarriffs on both sides of a trade deal is better for the average citizen. Maybe if you had any idea about the state of things you'd be pretty sure too.

Ya, DACA was about keeping immigrant families together and under DACA the number of families skipping out on court dates for immigration was almost 0. Removing DACA is actually a contributing factor to why families are now being split up and why children can be forced into court on their own.

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[–] **storyreversal 7 points** 13 hours ago

> So you've proved my point that the list was biased at least, thanks for that.

Sure, anything that includes a list of political achievements is going to be, by its very nature, biased.

>I don't know how you can think more money to things that have been proven to be more effective than walls is a bad thing but okay.

Where did I say that? Oh, I didn't! I merely pointed out that whatever Obama's budget spent on border security, it's pointless because he did DACA and encouraged the flood of immigration.

>Alright, so you're racist, good good,

Oh look a liberal immediately calling his opposition racist... I could set my watch to that.

>you also didn't notice that Trump has actually made things worse for the working class.

You really love stating things as facts without any reasoning, logic, or citation behind it. Is it because these things are not facts?

>I do hope you take the time to do the research yourself, you'll see the trends. Or you could use common sense and figure out that whatever economic changes a president makes 1-2 years after coming into office don't actually effect the state of the economy before those changes go into effect.

Nice, I point out that you have no evidence for what you say and you come back with the legendary classic "go do the research yourself, you'll see it." Also the "well it's common sense" when it is in fact anything but.

>Did you miss the whole thing where Brett Kavanaugh is basically against most human rights type decision the supreme court has made in the past decade, or the part where sexually assaulted a bunch of people?

Oh, he's against most human rights types decisions the supreme court has made? SUCH AS? And can you give me a specific one and explain what he disagreed about it?

He didn't sexually assault anyone, and it's tiresome that you people still pretend he did.

>In fact, none of the people studying climate change really benefit from any policy changes that might be made

HAHAHAHAH are you naive enough to believe this or are you just being dishonest?

>Alright, I'll go ahead and challenge you to figure out how higher tarriffs on both sides of a trade deal is better for the average citizen. Maybe if you had any idea about the state of things you'd be pretty sure too.

They've massively helped the steel industry, and lots of good middle class jobs have returned in steel. But hey, you stick with your "uh gosh just like uh look at it and you'll get it" line of reasoning, it's worked so well for you so far.

>Ya, DACA was about keeping immigrant families together

Bullshit it was! It was about carving out special protections for a group Obama wanted to keep in America, without going through any legislative process whatsoever.

>Removing DACA is actually a contributing factor to why families are now being split up and why children can be forced into court on their own.

Still lacking in all your wild claims are any citations or even basic reasoning or explanation. You live in a fantasy world.

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[–] **Sentient_Fedora 1 point** 27 minutes ago

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[–] **ImpressivePlayer 6 points** 5 hours ago

Wow I'm central and you guys actually still believe in that Kavanaugh sexual assaulting story, Jesus Christ.

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[–] **hamhamsg 4 points** 6 hours ago

> Removing DACA is actually a contributing factor to why families are now being split up and why children can be forced into court on their own.

DACA eligible kids had to arrive before 2007. You are talking out your ass

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[–] **Goasupreme 1 point** 4 hours ago

> Giving respect to WHITE working class voters. The list is blatantly stating he only gives respect to white people. That's kind of weird to put in a list of accomplishments.

The author might have an agenda >I'd welcome Donald Trump's impeachment

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[–] **hamhamsg 0 points** 6 hours ago

> ending DACA. Yes, clearly making 3 year olds that don't speak english represent themselves in court at their asylum hearings was a great move for the leader of a supposedly civilized country.

You're pretty ignorant about DACA. To be eligible for this they must have arrived before June 2007 and be younger than 16. It has not been possible for a 3 year old to be in DACA since 2011, and the majority of them are now in their mid to late twenties.

Your "rebuttal" is nothing but uninformed emotional garbage

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[–] SynisterBaconLord 6 points 10 hours ago

>searching for unbiased sources on Google

I thunk I found your problem.

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[–] egrith 1 point 10 hours ago

That is far from unbiased

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[–] Pedantichrist -5 points 11 hours ago

All but three of those things are bad things, and of those three, 2 are lies.

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[–] quietfellaus -7 points 9 hours ago

'move the US embassy to Jerusalem'

A move almost universally condemned by the international community that shows the US doesn't have any interest in actually achieving peace that doesn't involved the subjugation of the Palestinian people is not a very good thing my friend. That article is heavily biased.

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[–] crimsonc -39 points 16 hours ago

The only reason I'm not downvoting you is so people see the other person's reply to your "unbiased" article.

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[–] TysonButterbean 14 points 15 hours ago

How noble of you.

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[–] FreeDevelopment6 12 points 11 hours ago

He's presenting a different opinion! Get him!

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[–] crimsonc -6 points 11 hours ago

Just because it is different doesn't make it legitimate

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[–] FreeDevelopment6 5 points 10 hours ago

Can you please define a "legitimate opinion" for me? Genuinely curious what fits in your definition.

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[–] crimsonc -6 points 10 hours ago

One backed up by facts and not opinion would be a start

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[–] FreeDevelopment6 3 points 10 hours ago

Alright, so you have contradicted yourself.

The broad opinion you disagreed with was the claim that Donald Trump has done some good for the United States. If you read the post, you would notice they provided not one, not two, not three, but 20 reasons why this is the case.

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[–] crimsonc -1 points 10 hours ago

All of which are questionable, opinionated or outright lies. I read it.

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[–] FreeDevelopment6 1 point 9 hours ago

I disagree fully; your own bias is shining through. I found them all objective, honest, and outright logical truth.

I will be so bold as to suggest that you do not actually have a willingness to even consider other opinions.

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[–] crimsonc 2 points 9 hours ago

Of *course* you think I'm wrong. That's the point.

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[–] only7inches (deleted by user) -67 points 19 hours ago

That is a really stupid list with some unprecedentedly dumb decisions.

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[–] badmotorvision 10 points 7 hours ago

Great user name white knight. But serious no one cares how deep your butthole is.

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[–] badmotorvision 2 points an hour ago

Wow man only4inches deleted his comment

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[–] travelthief 2 points 5 hours ago

how about this list:

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/washington-secrets/trumps-list-289-accomplishments-in-just-20-months-relentless-promise-keeping

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[–] FondleMeh 55 points 10 hours ago

Tax cuts have helped to raise wages and create job prospects.

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[–] YetiPOL 1 point 2 hours ago

Also have helped in crippling health care and infrastructure.

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[–] muffchowda 54 points 10 hours ago

The 7% ROI on my YTD portfolio.

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[–] ArchmaesterOfPullups 0 points 10 hours ago

Completely overshadowed by 2018 being negative?

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[–] politicusmaximus 2 points 6 hours ago

Lol why not use 2017 through now?

Oh that wouldn't be a very strong argument for your position would it.

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[–] football-guy- 1 point 4 hours ago

The stock price doesn't tell the entire story. I made money with my 401k last year that's invested in an index fund due to dividends.

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[–] Evil-Kris 52 points 18 hours ago

any serious replies will be buried as lib-centric Reddit dv's them to the bottom of the thread, so you're better off going down the bar and asking any Trump supporter..they're easy to spot- just look for the guy or girl that doesn't look metrosexual and has a job

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[–] cryptaloo 24 points 17 hours ago

Yeah because red states are known for their great economies and low unemployment lol

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[–] Freedomeofchoice 3 points 2 hours ago

Yes Texas has one of the greatest and one of the lowest, thanks for playing. If Ca didnt have the best farm land they would not be mentioned.

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[–] emporercrunch 1 point 2 hours ago

California literally has Silicon Valley and Hollywood, but yea, totally without farms California would be nothing. lmao.

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[–] Mommas_always_RIGHT 1 point 42 minutes ago

Killing it over here in Indiana too

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[–] jotunck 22 points 18 hours ago

>metrosexual

Now that's a word I haven't heard in a decade.

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[–] Broken-Butterfly 7 points 17 hours ago

"Those shoes say you pound ass!"

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[–] Dr_3x21 21 points 14 hours ago

I'm only browsing reddit now when I'm working, cause it's moderated and SFW, but worldnews is mainly dominated by libs who downvote any right wing opinion as much as they can, so you won't find any unbiased discussion anywhere here, because of the voting system. At home I go on 4chan instead.

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[–] Weapons_Grade_Autism 3 points 4 hours ago

try r/news. Most of the time they are level headed there. If Trump does a good thing they will call it good, if he does a bad thing they will call it bad. MOST of the time.

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[–] polancomodanco 8 points 11 hours ago

I'm a liberal, but I'm sorting by controversial to see what the actual responses are because I'm curious myself. The two main good things that Trump has done that I can think of is:

- Highlight flaws in our democracy that we hadn't really considered before. Questions such as can a president pardon himself or can a president declare national emergency to win an argument against congress.

- Raise political consciousness. Many more people are aware of the political climate than ever before because Trump makes politics actually interesting and digestible. Even if I don't agree with him, I have to admit that politics is so much more interesting now and I am more aware of politics than ever before.

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[–] pedantic--asshole 3 points 3 hours ago

Actually it seems like this thread is fairly level headed at the top.

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[–] DistanceToEmpty 2 points 4 hours ago

If I sort by controversial, this comment is at the top!

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[–] pigeonwiggle 2 points 3 hours ago

yeah, it's because he blanketed his statement in an insult. so the people who he's targetting with the insult will downvote while the people he's not will upvote. but that targetted demographic is huge, so there are a lot of downvotes to match the upvotes, and so... most controversial.

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[–] Evil-Kris 2 points 2 hours ago

Whoah whoah whoah did you just assume my gender? Do you even lib?

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[–] pigeonwiggle 2 points 3 hours ago

>that doesn't look metrosexual

lolol how old are you?

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[–] K20BB5 2 points 6 hours ago

You must work a shitty job to think everyone with a job is a Trump supporter.

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[–] username1824 2 points 9 hours ago

So basically you came here to complain and argue, and answering the question, is out of the question?

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[–] GodOfTheThunder 1 point an hour ago

Couldnt think of any specific things either?

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[–] AnonymousUser163 1 point 3 hours ago

Another good way to look for trump supporters is to find the white men without a college degree

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[–] Freedomeofchoice 3 points 2 hours ago

And not not stuck with over 100k in student debt for a useless indoctrinated "ology" degree. Those degree people you can usually find working as a barista and bemoaning the unfair system, parroting their college professors who are even more out of touch with the real world. See how sterotypes work now?

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[–] AnonymousUser163 1 point 2 hours ago

Yes, and those people don't like Donald trump because he won't fix the broken US education system.

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[–] blowreaper 1 point an hour ago

This comment is unnecessary and childish

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[–] RustyNutsack -1 points 8 hours ago

The only real answer.

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[–] L2Logic -2 points 6 hours ago

You underestimated the magas. I'm not sure if it's paid campaigning, or people who literally think Trump shits gold.

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[–] Luke44332 -15 points 12 hours ago

hahahahahaha so true, youre at -3 votes but youre right

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[–] Evil-Kris 7 points 11 hours ago

that all? Holy shit, was expecting more like -30. Maybe people are warming to the Trumpster.

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[–] Antishill_canon -67 points 13 hours ago

The guys with no teeth*

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[–] storyreversal 17 points 10 hours ago

> also red states rely on the most welfare fyi

Which ones?

And what are the demographics of those red states?

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[–] Antishill_canon -15 points 10 hours ago

All of them pretty much

>And what are the demographics of those red states?

Mostly whites, even with a legacy of racism

So much for that white aggrievement republican narrative

https://m.huffpost.com/us/entry/us_5a7880cde4b0d3df1d13f60b

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[–] briaen 15 points 9 hours ago

> mostly whites

Doesn't this contradict white privilege? You can't have it both ways.

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[–] emporercrunch -1 points 2 hours ago

You fell into the Republican trap thinking it's whites vs black/mexican/women when it's really richest rich vs everyone else, lmao.

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[–] briaen 2 points 2 hours ago

I actually agree with that. I'm not sure what you're talking about. It's always been class and not race. Obamas kids are much more privileged that whites living in Kentucky.

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[–] emporercrunch 1 point an hour ago

There are trends, the rich tends to stay rich forever, being white gave you a legal advantage in business and prosperity and it still does just for the fact that people will hire and promote people of their own race. Or in some cases literally murdering blacks if they become too successful:

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/local/wp/2018/09/28/feature/they-was-killing-black-people/?noredirect=on&utm_term=.3f70fabd6fd3

It can happen to any race, but because of history a great majority of the richest rich and oppressors are white because inequality in the system gave them a head start advantage. Civil rights act isn't that old we're still feeling the effects of life before it.

Donald Trump is a prefect example, just a rich white guy rich because his father was rich. Trump could have literally made more money had he just invested in index funds, literally money makes money without effort.

http://fortune.com/2015/08/20/donald-trump-index-funds/

And these white people are elected to power to pass laws to keep them rich even if the methods are unfair and unequal. As opposed to someone who earned their money through building themselves up like the Obamas. A black person or a person of any color can be just as scummy piece of shit when siding with corporate handouts and breaks for the ultra rich, take Ben Carson for example, but again because of history most of the people in that position are white.

Think of this way, a room of 100 people, 10 of those people are ultra rich, 10 of them are also white and only leave their money to other white people. That's where the concept of privilege comes from.

Personally I think talking about white privilege, although might have truth to it, is inflammatory and unhelpful. White males can also be victims to quota systems and university admissions, a type of minority privilege exists now too. The goal is to minimize corruption and maximize opportunity based on fair merits not on skin color for everyone.

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[–] **Antishill_canon** **-2 points** 9 hours ago

Poor whites existing somehow cant overlap with systemic discrimination againsr minorities?

Wrlp what can we expect from party line global warming denying republicans

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[–] **briaen** **8 points** 7 hours ago

Whataboutisms but I'll bite.

I believe in global warming and can be sold that it's humans that are doing it. Here is the problem with the democrats stance. To deal with this problems they want to make manufacturing more expensive than it already is, by taxing energy use, which will send more jobs to places like China where they don't care at all about the environment. Democrats, at the party level, are anti nuclear which is only real way to move away from fossil fuels. Forcing everyone to get solar panels that are made in china, who is strip mining the world, also hurts our economy and American workers. Democrats also want us to give billions to poor countries on the hope that they'll buy solar panels from China. In essence we would be giving money directly to China who doesn't care about the environment. Also, China is allowed to keep increasing their carbon output until 2030 while we tax energy here. It's a good way to strip Americans of their manufacturing base.

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[–] **Antishill_canon** **-2 points** 7 hours ago

>I believe in global warming and can be sold that it's humans that are doing it.

This reads like youre lying for credibility as theres no doubt humans are driving it

I also doubt it, given republican elect people that deny global scientific consensus as party line

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[–] **briaen** **11 points** 6 hours ago

At least I can say I tried. I mapped out how I feel about the situation and you reply with personal attacks that offer nothing.

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[–] **Antishill_canon** **-1 points** 6 hours ago

How noble of you to yield the people you elect as party line to deny global warming arent really at fault because "it wouldnt matter if the US tried to tackle that existential threat anyway"

All a performance to seem reasonable in a TD brigaded thread while still pushing fring far right politics of global warming denial

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[–] **briaen** **7 points** 6 hours ago

Again, no substance and just personal attacks.

> it wouldnt matter if the US tried to tackle that existential threat anyway"

I actually said how the democratic policies were worse for global warming than republicans right now.

1. Nuclear power until green energy can catch up
2. Stop sending manufacturing to China where they don't care.

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[–] **Antishill_canon** **0 points** 6 hours ago

>>it wouldnt matter if the US tried to tackle that existential threat anyway"

>I actually said how the democratic policies were worse for global warming than republicans

That would be a blatant lie and not even intelligent rightwing propaganda effort just russian style firehose of bullshit to clog rational discourse

Trump admin is dismantling enviromental regulation to allow the pollution of your air and water

Gotta ask, is lying your job?

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[–] **briaen** **3 points** 6 hours ago

Out of curiosity, do you feel like you're arguing in good faith?

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[–] **Animblenavigator** **14 points** 9 hours ago

This dude uses Huffpost as a source...look out y'all!!!!

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[–] Vanderwoolf 2 points 6 hours ago

Taxfoundation.org

Moneytips - simple comparison of taxes paid vs federal spending received per capita.

The Federalist - Shows somewhat mixed results depending on how you want to manipulate the numbers, interesting read.

Keypolicydata.com - check the table that lists the states and their tax/spend ratio per dollar.

Wallethub - breaks down a lot of the same information as the above sources, makes easily understood graphs to help visualize.

Thoughtco - breaks down the demographics of who is getting assistance (spoiler alert, it's a lot of kids).

Center on Budget and Policy Priorities - CBPP - Lists common gov't grants to states as well as how much each state receives and what % of the states spending that $ makes up.

Ballotpedia - interesting list of per-taxpayer state surplus/burden.

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[–] Antishill_canon -11 points 9 hours ago

Ah ues the "fake news" defense

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[–] Regl_b 9 points 7 hours ago

Huffpost isn't even news let alone fake news. Might as well link a gif of a talking butt hole.

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[–] badmotorvision 6 points 7 hours ago

I bet he has terabytes of those types of memes in his moms laptop

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[–] Miserable_company 1 point an hour ago

Lol!

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 9 hours ago

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[–] jumpifnotzero 8 points 8 hours ago

I'm sorry, I'm confused... Are you gay-shaming people you don't agree with?

That doesn't sound very tolerant to me.

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[–] degrassibabetjk 49 points 6 hours ago

Moved the United States Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. For all the brouhaha about this, this was a law signed in 1995 by Bill Clinton, a Democrat. And for everyone saying there'd be violence, well, what do you call the violence that always existed while the Embassy was in Tel Aviv? It's not the Embassy, stupid.

Signed the Taylor Force Act. I was in Israel at the time of the stabbing Intifada and it was frightening. Do you really think going up to some random Jew in Jerusalem and stabbing them is helpful to your cause? Why does the world continue to support the PA when most of their money goes to paying terrorists and their families for killing Jews? Wake up.

I hate Trump, but will give credit where credit is due. I respected Nikki Haley as well for calling out the UN for their double standards against Israel. Israel isn't perfect, but to condemn it for than Russian? Syria? Iran? Intellectually dishonest.

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[–] mastersifo-diaz 1 point 25 minutes ago

Israel is committing genocide. Its very existence is a crime against humanity and a violation of the Geneva convention. They are murdering and destroying innocent palistinians homes and lifes and illegal occupying the land. You can't get disaster relief in texas if you have ever peacefully protested Israel a violation of your sacred first amendment.

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[–] Anonymous9088 46 points 13 hours ago

Got a lot of people into politics

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[–] Titus_1024 1 point 9 hours ago

This is actually really true and I hope will have long lasting effects.

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[–] HTS-got-Damascus 45 points 14 hours ago

He didn't assault third world countries yet.

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[–] SmoteySmote 13 points 6 hours ago

But I was told he would take us to Nookular War and the the economy would collapse the day he took office!

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[–] iamunstrung 8 points 6 hours ago

It saddens me how many people I know simply think 'war could break out at any time because TRUMP'. Look, I'm no MAGA hat wearing Trump supporter, I think he's a buffoon for sure. But no, he was not the presidential candidate who was going to go to war.

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[–] YetiPOL 1 point 2 hours ago

He kinda is doing it still.

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[–] Opsophagos 1 point 2 hours ago

physically

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[–] RampantPrototyping -3 points 10 hours ago

He did order a missile strike on Syria though

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[–] MikhailG0rbachev 13 points 8 hours ago

On a military airfield.

Or the MOAB they dropped in afghan that killed almost 100 terrorists.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 6 hours ago

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[–] Animblenavigator 43 points 9 hours ago

Gorsuch, Kavinaugh, a huge litany of District Court Judges, NoKo/SoKo peace talks, ending TPP, making other countries pay into NATO, putting UN's feet to the fire for supporting anti-Semetic rhetoric/policies, fighting Globalism, fighting Communism, gave Republicans (most) a backbone to fight back, exposing the Democrats as NOT the Democrat party but a Socialist party. Shall I keep going?

ok

Making "Made In America" great again. Patriotism is great again. Love of America is no longer taboo. The American flag is the best flag in the world again. The American dollar is the strongest it's ever been. China currency is getting back to it's piss value it once was.

More?

During Bush Sr, GW Bush, and Obama the Federal Agencies were used as political weapons and granted way too much over reach. This is now being held in check. The political appointments are being exposed as the frauds they are.

More?

The US Military is the big man on campus again. Nations quiver when they see the American military might and think twice before a striking. Space Force is a great thing, so great that China pissed their wittle pants and had to make a piss poor CGI fake photo of their lunar lander on the dark side of the moon.

I mean there is so much more, I'm sure you'll read it here.

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[–] mastersifo-diaz 1 point 20 minutes ago

Why is the America flag the best flag?

Space force is illegal.

Everytime the US has intervened in the world post the second World War it's been bad and created the very enemies the US is facing now.

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[–] sucrerey 40 points 6 hours ago

some guy helped him when he was stalled at the side of the road. apparently Trump paid off the guy's mortgage.

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[–] redmaster_28273 39 points 15 hours ago

Cracked down on Isis alot

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[–] deadmeerkat -9 points 14 hours ago

You mean his pulling out and saying isis was defeated when literally the same day his vp claimed issues gone, was a bombing claimed by isis?

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[–] **storyreversal** 28 points 13 hours ago

you dope, ISIS was a literal state when Trump took office - they controlled a vast territory and were the functional rulers of it.

They are now a small band of hunted terrorists. That's right, they've been reduced from *being the government of an essentially sovereign state* to popping off an occasional IED.

That's a pretty big achievement.

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[–] **Dover939** -11 points 12 hours ago

ISIS's decline started in 2014, so no.

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[–] **storyreversal** 12 points 12 hours ago

Did I say their decline did not start in 2014???

Can you not comprehend that they could face a decline from 2014-2017 that became far more rapid, and a greater decline, when Trump came into office?

You're not that stupid, are you??? ARE YOU?

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[–] **Dover939** -8 points 12 hours ago

>ISIS was a literal state when Trump took office

This is incorrect. Also, calm down please.

Isis was already dying. Trump coming along and whacking the cancer ridden half-corpse with a stick isn't much of an achievement.

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[–] **storyreversal** 15 points 12 hours ago

You're just being dishonest. When Trump took office, ISIS had 35,000 soldiers and controlled territory the size of two New Jerseys:

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/heres-how-much-ground-isis-has-lost-since-trump-took-over

Within a year they were down to a very tiny portion of that, and today they control no territory whatsoever.

Pretty sad, you're so blinded by Trump hatred that you can't even admit basic reality.

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[–] **Dover939** -7 points 12 hours ago

Nah dude, I don't hate trump, but I do hate bullshit.

Like I said, beating a dying horse. War snowballs, I don't like Obama that much, but it's pretty fucking dishonest to say that Trump did all the work when Obama got the ball rolling as fast as it was.

Your article uses cites the DOHD, which cites the CIA's loose estimate of 30,000 in 2014, while there are several conflicting estimates by other sources.

It's pretty fucking easy to defeat an enemy that now only has 12,000 troops compared to 30,000. War snowballs. Basic shit. Really basic.

>today they control no territory

Completely fucking incorrect. They still own two moderately sized villages and have enough manpower to continue. With Trump's decision to leave, they'll most likely string back or just defect into the Taliban.

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[–] **storyreversal** 10 points 11 hours ago

> but it's pretty fucking dishonest to say that Trump did all the work when Obama got the ball rolling as fast as it was.

OK... I didn't say Trump "did all the work." Obama, by the way, LET ISIS HAPPEN IN THE FIRST PLACE. Remember, they were the "JV team" as he called them. Trump maybe put it best when he called Obama the FOUNDER OF ISIS, given that our own CIA helped create them by arming "moderate rebels" and trying to overthrow Assad.

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[–] **Dover939** 1 point 11 hours ago

Ahh, yes. No more arguments so you start making shit up with no sources. You know what? Obama didn't let ISIS happen. It was aliens.

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[–] **storyreversal** 6 points 11 hours ago

> Obama didn't let ISIS happen

Buddy ISIS would not have happened if the US government hadn't actively tried to overthrow Assad by fomenting revolution and arming rebel groups, that's a basic historical fact at this point. Did you not know about any of this?

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[–] **ImbedVirus** 3 points 9 hours ago

can we agree that trump kept it going? It is better than nothing

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[–] **Dover939** **0 points** 8 hours ago

Sure, up until now

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[–] **ImbedVirus** **2 points** 6 hours ago

Hows that?

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[–] **Dover939** **0 points** 6 hours ago

The U.S military being ordered to pull out of the middle east? it's not exactly small time news

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[–] **ImbedVirus** **1 point** 5 hours ago

In my previous comment, I was generally curious. Sorry if it came off snarky. There is still a lot of forces fighting in Syria

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[–] **redmaster_28273** **-5 points** 14 hours ago

Obviously isn't defeated, however he still did more towards them

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[–] **Dover939** **-2 points** 12 hours ago

he really didn't, he bombed them once and then pulled out, fucking wasting all of the time, money and lives put into stabilizing the middle east

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[–] **redmaster_28273** **-1 points** 12 hours ago

Terrorists thrive off fear, maybe by saying they were defeated would raise spirits idk just a guess

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[–] **PLEASEHIREZ** **38 points** 11 hours ago

I am NOT a Trump supporter, but here are some things which he did that have some benefit....

1 - His outspoken nature did in fact lead to the North and South Korean leaders meeting.

1.1 - Although their talking has not led to anything substantial and Kim Jung Un has continued the nuclear program. Deactivation has not been accomplished by the Trump administration, and no one is talking about it.

2 - He did actually managed to produce some jobs in America due to his foreign tax policies.

2.2 - This started a trade war with many ally countries which subsequently affected downstream manufacturing jobs in America.

3 - He got his way with NAFTA. This means American dairy farmers can sell a little more product to Canada.

3.3 - He legitimately eluded to shutting the government down if NAFTA wasn't passed, although he did eventually shut the government down for other reasons.

4 - Whether or not his promises are good, he did say he was building a wall and withdrawing from TPP. Whether things eventually get better as a result is to be seen, but in the short run it is more likely to get worse.

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[–] **emporercrunch** **-10 points** 7 hours ago

1.) Nope South Korea President was already in talks. He purposely gave Trump as much credit as possible so he wouldn't blow the existing negotiations.

2.) Citation needed? The coal jobs were a lie, Harley Davidson is on the outs. Trade war is hurting Americans.

https://projects.propublica.org/graphics/trump-job-promises

>The U.S. added 2.2 million jobs in 2016, on top of 2.7 million jobs gained in 2015, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. In fact, there has been growth of at least 2 million jobs in each of President Obama’s last six years in office, and there have been 75 consecutive months of jobs growth, a modern-day record.

1. The Wall is objectively bad and stupid, no one wants it except Trump, the extreme right and the uniformed.

Did you know illegal immigration has been on steep decline since the Obama administration?

Did you know more terrorists sneak in from Canada than Mexico by magnitudes? Why aren't we building a wall along the Canadian border?

What exactly did the troops that Trump sent down to the border physically "do" to justify making them miss their Christmas? Why was the caravan covered as a immigrant crises all days every day leading up to the midterms and then hardly mentioned at all after the midterms? Was it a real crises or a lie?

Did you know that the zero tolerance policy of throwing brown children into Concentration camps was admitted to be the brain child of Stephen Miller for the purpose of forcing a border wall vote and had nothing to do with any imminent danger?

Do you remember many Republican governors refusing to send in support guard to the border because they considered the action immoral?

If the wall was important for border security why couldn't it get funding by the Republican controlled congress, white house and supreme court when the shutdown, which Trump said on video would be his fault, happened?

Trump turned down 20 billion for the wall, how is 5 billion for a fence provide the same level of "vital" border security?

Did you know most illegal immigration is from people overstaying their Visas. Or in the case of Maleria Trump straight up Visa fraud which she used to bring in her relatives via chain migration? Why hasn't she been deported?

Did you know asking Border Patrol if they would like more money and power is like asking congress if they'd like a pay raise?

Did you know his shutdown severely compromised actual security and safety by under staffing agencies like homeland security and air traffic control?

Did you know Donald Trump is considered by most people, including intelligence agencies and fellow Republicans, to be a Russian asset working against American interests?

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[–] **PLEASEHIREZ 1 point** 5 hours ago

Not that I don't agree with you on many of the topics you listed, but that wasn't what the OP asked. He asked if Trump had done anything positive? About the job creation thing, you can search it up on your own, but the steel and aluminum plants did see a resurgence in hiring. I know we don't like Fox News on reddit, but this is something I quickly googled. Vice also have a great documentary about the realities of Trump's tax war. We're not here to bash Trump. I think most of reddit knows about the negatives. It is because there is so much negative that the OP is likely asking what are some positives that have occurred.

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[–] **emporercrunch 1 point** 5 hours ago

There's always someone who benefits no matter how shitty the economic decision, making a good economy it does not though. If I gave you everybody aids it would be a boost to the pharmaceutical industry, but not good for America.

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[–] **copperreppoc -14 points** 11 hours ago

In the bigger scheme of the economy and global stability, I'm not sure any of these are good things.

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[–] **mactroneng 36 points** 10 hours ago

He pulled the US out of the TPP, which was a shitshow. It's been fixed somewhat but I still wish my country didn't go with it in it's current form.

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[–] **nuclearfarts99 1 point** 2 hours ago

The reason it got somewhat fixed is IIRC because Disney's crap got taken out.

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[–] **chrispar 35 points** 5 hours ago

Honestly? Dubbing “Fake News” and showing how biased the media actually is was long overdue.

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[–] **dantepicante 2 points** 2 hours ago

Can't really give him credit for this one - the term "fake news" was started by DNC-friendly propagandists to combat the negative attention alternative media were giving to Hillary's scandals. Candidates Trump just took it to use against them.

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[–] **chrispar 4 points** 2 hours ago

Well whoever started the wave of calling out the media on their bullshit has my respect, for that at least

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[–] **CoachDrippy14 33 points** 14 hours ago

The economy is doing fantastic under him tbf

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[–] **maverickgxg 1 point** 10 hours ago

who knew deregulation would help corporations and businesses?

does that translate to more money in your pocket?

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[–] **Killer_Bs -9 points** 11 hours ago

Yep, the Dow and S&P are only down 4-4.5% in the last year. No one has ever done so great.

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[–] **Gixxertaylor 3 points** 8 hours ago

How much is the dow and s&p up from election day 2016? Why do you think it plummeted near midterms?

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[–] **Dimwitedroy** 32 points 14 hours ago

I hate to be that guy, but if we are going to discuss the good things Donald Trump has done for America. Can you guys at least put credible sources for all your statements.

It's not that I don't want to believe you, but you know it just makes your statements more accurate and informative. Thanks.

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[–] **Duckfaith_** 15 points 14 hours ago

But bad things on the other hand.. .

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[–] **[deleted]** 1 point 12 hours ago

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[–] **PBFT** 13 points 11 hours ago

Good luck with that. Nobody will agree what a credible source is.

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[–] **Dimwitedroy** 1 point 10 hours ago

Well at the end of the day it's up to the individual to decide whether the source is credible or not with that statement. Otherwise you can't really have a discussion and understand each other. But hey doesn't hurt to try and hear both sides.

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[–] **jarjarkinksXDD** 3 points 7 hours ago

That's never gonna work. I think CNN is garbage and lies, others think the same about fox. No one agrees what's credible and polls are jokes

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[–] **travelthief** 11 points 5 hours ago

>HERE YOU ARE SWEET CHILD

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/washington-secrets/trumps-list-289-accomplishments-in-just-20-months-relentless-promise-keeping

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[–] **emporercrunch** -5 points 2 hours ago

https://mediabiasfactcheck.com/washington-examiner/

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[–] **travelthief** 7 points an hour ago

"Factual reporting: *HIGH*"

Thanks for the link!

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[–] **lyion** 1 point 58 minutes ago

> Right Bias

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[–] **travelthief** 1 point 50 minutes ago

Are you attacking the source instead of the content because you can't accept it?

Are you incapable of entertaining opposing ideas that you disagree with?

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[–] **lyion** 1 point 38 minutes ago

You were picking one part of the fact check. I was providing the other. Now we've got a full image: the side provides factually correct information, but with a strong right bias.

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[–] **Sentient_Fedora** 1 point 35 minutes ago

"strong right bias"

These "fact check" sites are ALL run by far left people. Stop playing their game. Look at the actual data. He did all these things. They can be verified individually at the appropriate dot gov site.

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[–] **travelthief** 1 point 27 minutes ago

So are you going to comment on the article or....?

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[–] **CorrectTomato** 5 points 4 hours ago

Honestly, and I'm not trying to sound snarky, it's easy to find this stuff if you look for it. You just have to look past some of the more obvious and visible news sources like CNN, WaPo, etc.

US politics and constantly freaking out about the president were wearing me down, so at the start of the year I decided to go out of my way to seek out more balanced views of the news. One good way to do this is to visit AllSides and read all three takes on a topic. It's also very telling when any given topic isn't covered by one side or the other. (Like the VA governor abortion stuff, for instance -- it was everywhere in right-leaning media and nowhere to be found in left-leaning media.)

I know Trump is insanely unpopular among Democrats, but I would encourage everyone to at least seek out a more balanced news cycle (and I don't just mean Fox News). It has opened my eyes in several ways -- not all Trump voters are motivated by the -isms. Not everything he's doing is bad or disastrous. Mainstream media coverage of him is wildly biased. And though I don't approve of his tone and a lot of his personal behaviors, I have a totally different perspective on the way he presents himself. Once you learn to see past the gauze of hysteria, it's clear that a lot of his hyperbole and ranting are based in performance and even humor.

You don't have to like him, or his policies, but he's not just a cardboard cutout of a schoolyard bully.

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[–] **ttlynotarussian_bot 2 points** 5 hours ago

Can't hate on a guy for wanting sources.

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[–] **[deleted] 1 point** 12 hours ago

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[–] **SneeryLems396 -2 points** 5 hours ago

That's feels like a bit much to ask when Google is a tap away. I feel asking in this forum deludes the spirit of the conversation and passively takes away from the goal. Most everything seriously contributed is demonstrable very easily.

We're not journalists (most likely) we're citizens and this isn't a published paper. A quick punch of politico or CNN (left leaning media outlets) will both list some of the positive accomplishments of his administration. So will the Hill and Washington Post. On the right the Washington times or Chicago Tribune have lists supporting Trump. No need to go slogging too deep into the muck of a talking heads mind.

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[–] **JALKHRL -8 points** 10 hours ago

Fox News and Info Wars are not enough for you liberal socialist gunhater snowflake ?

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[–] **Dimwitedroy 4 points** 10 hours ago

Hey man I am only here to learn from both sides but if you think I am a liberal socialist dungaree snowflake then I guess that's your contributions to the progress of Donald trump.

Thanks buddy, for keeping the healthy discussion healthy.

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[–] **Cessno -59 points** 11 hours ago

There are tons of users from the donald posting a lot of bullshit here

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[–] **TysonButterbean 24 points** 11 hours ago

Shocked that users from the donald are posting on a thread about Donald, in a sub they have as much a right as anyone to post in.

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[–] **Cessno -10 points** 10 hours ago

You are just blasting this place with propaganda

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[–] **littleriddle 4 points** 7 hours ago

Sorry but propaganda is all the MSN telling the nation Trump has less than 5% chance of winning the election. Then he wins in a landslide. You see propaganda is a lie not the truth.

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[–] **Cessno 1 point** 6 hours ago

TIL a landslide victory involves losing the popular vote by 2 million

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[–] **littleriddle 7 points** 6 hours ago

You just now learned the popular vote has nothing to do with winning the US election. That’s sad but here is the electoral college results which are a landslide.

https://www.270towin.com/maps/2016-actual-electoral-map

Isn’t it beautiful

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[–] **Cessno 0 points** 6 hours ago

Yeah I’ve known that. Just means that the president only got elected because our system is fucked up

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[–] **BrodyKrautch 7 points** 6 hours ago

Just because you don't understand our system doesn't mean it's fucked up.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 6 hours ago

I understand it perfectly well.

Let's turn your argument around here for a second because under the electoral college the voice of republicans in states like California and Illinois are taken every presidential election since they always go blue.

I'm just saying that your vote should count he same no matter what state you are from. That's not the case right now because a person from Wyoming has a more effective vote than most other states

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[–] littleriddle 5 points 6 hours ago

So you are smarter than the founding fathers which included Ben Franklin.

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[–] Cessno -1 points 6 hours ago

You do realize that the founding fathers intended the constitution to be flexible and change with the country? I think Ben Franklin would also understand why we would change it these days but who knows.

Also by your logic here we wouldn't be able to vote unless you are a landowning male. If we are just going to blindly follow the constitution without critical thinking or constitutional changes

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[–] Seamanteries 5 points 6 hours ago

> flexible

Where are you getting that?

> why we would change it

No he wouldn't. If your argument is to give more power to states that will have the ability to have more say because their state has more people in it, is absurd.

> owning land

Originally, if you didn't own land, you didn't vote, and there was a good reason for it: because those without property will always vote away the property of other people unto themselves.

That is why it was put in to place.

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[–] Cessno 2 points 6 hours ago

You think it's absurd to allow the state with more people to have more votes? I'm just saying we need to just go to a popular vote. It's how we elect senators in our states why can't we do that for our president?

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[–] Seamanteries 2 points 6 hours ago

> go to a popular vote

No thanks. The Founding Fathers made it the way it is so other states don't have the right or the control of the entire country.

> elect senators

.... We're not talking about senators.

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[–] Cessno 2 points 5 hours ago

Ok well let's go back to only land owning men voting. Oh also I hope you don't like voting for your senator because if we go with exactly how the founding fathers intended then we only get to vote for people in the House of Representatives.

I'm sure you'd just be thrilled with the choice that your star legislature makes for senate

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[–] Seamanteries -1 points 5 hours ago

Haha, what!?

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[–] Cessno 3 points 5 hours ago

Rad a book. It wasn't until the 17th amendment that you could actually vote for your senator

So if you want to go by what Ben franklin wanted then say goodbye to voting for your senator

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[–] Seamanteries 3 points 5 hours ago

Ok, I'll go "rad" a book. I love rad.

> Ben Franklin

What are you even saying? Try to thread your comment out so I can understand your argument.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 5 hours ago

I'm on a phone and typing out these replies quickly so some stuff slips through. I thought you were the guy bringing up Ben Franklin in relation to he electoral college.

Funny you should give me shit for a typo though when the president can't even spell hamburger correctly or use the proper form of "there"

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[–] littleriddle 2 points 6 hours ago

The aspects of rights and procedures can change but not how you elect people. Some aspects cannot be messed with or you will get a dictator. But hey if you wish for Trump to be the one to change how elections work while he is in power you have more balls than me and I voted for the guy.

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[–] Cessno 0 points 6 hours ago

How we elect people can change and has changed constantly. You need to do some history reading man

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[–] littleriddle 4 points 6 hours ago

Did you just assume my gender? I'm calling the local California police.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 5 hours ago

Haha you know you are wrong so you just trying out overdone memes to distract

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[–] littleriddle 2 points 5 hours ago

Better than selling my country out by being a shill. Where are you based out of? India, China, or just a local democrat politician's office. I'm ok with abortion but you will try and sell the nation on killing 9 month old babies. Nice morals v

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[–] Cessno 2 points 5 hours ago

What the fuck are you talking about you raving fucking lunatic? I'm trying to sell people on nine month abortions where?

But once again you can't argue so you just derail the conversation with batshit insane accusations

Ps if I could actually get paid to call you a dumbass then I would be first in line but it turns out no one is paying me to call you what you are

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 4 hours ago

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[–] littleriddle 0 points 2 hours ago

Yeah I'm in the wrong that is why you are frantically deleting your post history. Might as well delete this comment as well. You need to hide all history of you being wrong and any ties to those comments.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 27 minutes ago

What the fuck are you talking about? I haven't deleted much of anything besides maybe a reply I made to the wrong person

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[–] **littleriddle** **1 point** 16 minutes ago

A reply to me where you called me a liar and the post I was calling you out on. So yeah you may have deleted a few but those few were strategic. Anyways keep on projecting and calling others liars while you try and cover your tracks because that is what honest people do and not what the people who get posted on r/imatotalpieceofshit do.

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** a minute ago

Go ahead post it there

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[–] **Justice_V_Mercy** **5 points** 4 hours ago

Whoa dude. That is literally propaganda.

Californians votes don't count for less, that's why a blue state like Cali has blue state laws like Cali has. The people in each state get to govern themselves more locally with minimal influence from other member states in the republic.

Now on the national level you have to look at each state as individual members. The electoral college is divided up in a balance that allows every state a fair representation in the republic. If not for this system then literally every other state besides New York and California would have virtually zero say in national issues. It's no coincidence that large metropolitan costal cities have amassed infrastructure that outweighs several inland states combined since we have over 200 years of cooperation. California's harbors are used extensively by inland states with no harbors of their own because of our arrangement as a republic. If not for this constitutional republic then we would have had over 200 years of wars between the states and I guarantee you that California wouldn't have successfully held onto all that coastline unchallenged. They certainly wouldn't have had an entire nation feeding their shipyards with the entire nation's navy budget.

None of these things exist in a vacuum and if California was allowed to Lord over the entire nation due to population disparity the republic would have broken up years go. Don't be greedy. Make all the progressive laws you want for California but you're only an equal on the national stage.

Californians have a microcosm of this exact problem within their own borders, how many movements are there currently to split Cali into 3 different states because of representation disparities caused by massive urban populations soaking up all the political representation of the rural areas?

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** **2 points** 6 hours ago

>the voice of republicans in states like California and Illinois are taken every presidential election since they always go blue.

No they aren't. Just because they lose doesn't mean they don't have a say in their states election.

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** 6 hours ago

In the presidential election their vote is basically meaningless. I understand that their vote for state stuff still matters but that’s not my point

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** **0 points** 6 hours ago

No...the population of the state votes for who their state votes for. Not everyone is going to get who they want, but they still get their vote. That's basic democracy...

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** 6 hours ago

So if you vote for candidate A bit the state votes for B that means that he entire state essentially votes for B.

Your vote for A doesn’t really matter after that.

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** **0 points** 6 hours ago

Yes that's how democracy works.

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[–] **Cessno** **1 point** 5 hours ago

You really don’t get this do you? Your state is not the only one voting.

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** **0 points** 5 hours ago

Yeah, because we're a democratic republic. *United States* of America.

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[–] **Cessno** 1 point 5 hours ago

Changing to a popular vote doesn't change the governmental system at all. An electoral college isn't exclusive to a democratic republic. Take a civics class or something

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** 1 point 5 hours ago

>Changing to a popular vote doesn't change the governmental system at all.

Okay good then let's keep the electoral college which ensures each state gets a voice....in the United *States* of America.

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[–] **Seamanteries** 6 points 6 hours ago

> our system is fucked

The "system" is working as intended, just because your candidate didn't win doesn't mean it's "fucked up".

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[–] **Cessno** 0 points 6 hours ago

I really hope a Democrat wins in the way trump did. It will be hilarious to see the flip flopping happen.

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[–] **DUTCHWIZARD** 3 points 5 hours ago

I really really hope Trump will win the same way again.

It will be so hilarious reading your comments again crying about the 'fucked' system.

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[–] **Cessno** 0 points 5 hours ago

He probably won't though most of the smart people have jumped off the trump train. All that's left are the mouth breathers like yourself

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[–] **DUTCHWIZARD** 3 points 5 hours ago

Why do you have to start insulting? Out of arguments? How does it feel knowing you can't win with your bullshit in this thread, people actually check facts here. Maybe you should just stay in your mouth breather echo chamber subreddit where no one disagrees with you.

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[–] **Cessno** 0 points 5 hours ago

This is just a brigade by people in your propaganda space at the donald all the people smarter than myself left because they know it's a waste of time with people like yourself.

Reality doesn't matter to you types

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[–] **DUTCHWIZARD** 2 points 5 hours ago

Reddit is just censoring anything pro-trump, I wouldn't be surprised if this gets deleted soon, speaking of propaganda and censorship. Reality is there are a lot of people in this thread that are not even from The Donald who have positive views on DJT. Reality is Trump did accomplish the 180+ items the guy listed in his 9 posts in this thread, you are just denying them. Reality is he won the 2016 election 304-227, a massive difference. Reality is he will probably get re elected just because people are getting tired of left-wing propaganda and anti-Trump conspiracies this and that every single day.

You are the one living in your own reality, wake up.

Speaking of wasting time, I'm done replying to you. If I'd wanted to waste my time talking to a chatbot I'd talk to Cleverbot, not you.

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[–] **Cessno** 0 points 5 hours ago

Have fun supporting a moron like trump!

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** 3 points 5 hours ago

>It will be hilarious to see the flip flopping happen. You won't be singing the same tune when someone loses by millions of votes but still wins the electoral college

So you admit you only care about the 'popular vote' because your side lost due to the electoral college.

Only popular vote that matters is the popular *state* vote.

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[–] **Cessno** 0 points 5 hours ago

Nah I just want fair elections. If more people actually want trump then that's just how it's going to be.

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** 2 points 5 hours ago

Fair in your mind is millions of californians and new yorkers deciding every national election.

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[–] **Cessno** -1 points 5 hours ago

Yeah I think it's fair that the people who make up the majority of the country should get the majority say in the presidential election. It's that simple.

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** 1 point 5 hours ago

So you don't believe in the United States of America, then.

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[–] **Cessno** 0 points 5 hours ago

There's also a giant population in the center too. You act like the popular vote would silence the republican parts of the country which is just false.

Think about the people of California and New York who are republicans. They would suddenly have an impactful vote. Plus Hillary did only win the popular vote by 2 million. It's not like trump would have not been a serious threat at that ratio

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[–] **BrodyKrautch** 3 points 5 hours ago

Which center? You mean the 40~ something states, all of which have populations that pale in comparison to that of California, and all have seperate needs and wants?

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[–] **Cessno** -2 points 5 hours ago

Yep those ones. It's that simple it's not like the electoral college helps those states out. Unless you consider lip service every four years from candidates actual help

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[–] **[deleted]** 1 point an hour ago

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[–] **Seamanteries** 2 points 6 hours ago

> flip flopping

No flip flopping over here, bud. Republicans don't want to nix the electoral college because their pwecious candidate didn't win.

She lost fair and square. Time to grow up.

> electoral college

Why wouldn't I? That's been the way of things since the Founding Fathers.

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[–] **Cessno** 1 point 5 hours ago

Ok I hope you own land and are a dude. Let's get back to the founding fathers way of election

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[–] **Seamanteries** 3 points 5 hours ago

You bet, buddy.

> way of election

Why? You blatantly dismiss the reason why the electoral college is important because you lost.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 5 hours ago

No I dismiss it because it's an unfair system in our modern age. There are better ways of voting

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[–] Seamanteries 2 points 5 hours ago

> better ways of voting

Let's hear them, princess.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 5 hours ago

Well I think popular vote would be good for the presidential election.

Ranked choice voting seems like something a few states could try and see how that works at their level.

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[–] Cessno -6 points 7 hours ago

When did the mSn say that? Because all they said was trump had a 35 percent chance of winning.

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[–] littleriddle 6 points 7 hours ago

Here is the as

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/the-fix/wp/2016/10/24/donald-trumps-chances-of-winning-are-approaching-zero/?utm_term=.2c4ce0140782

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[–] Cessno 2 points 7 hours ago

You really don't understand stats at all. Just because someone says it was unlikely for trump to win (it was) doesn't mean saying there is a small chance of victory is false. He did lose by popular vote so it's not all that crazy to see how polls would predict his loss. Is that really that difficult to understand?

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[–] K20BB5 -7 points 6 hours ago

Propaganda is the content on TD that has been proven to be fueled by the Russians. News casters making bad predictions is not propaganda.

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[–] littleriddle 6 points 6 hours ago

So you want to label a front page censored subreddit as propaganda but will ignore the MSM's weekly lies and late retractions as news instead of propaganda? You good person are inneed a special kind of useful idiot (a peddler of propaganda).

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[–] K20BB5 -6 points 5 hours ago

It's really too bad you're too stupid to realize the irony of everything you're saying, because let me tell you, it's hilarious. Trump is the literal definition of a useful idiot. Youre trying to equate bad predictions with literal Russian propaganda. You know that just because I recognize t_d as a propaganda filled cesspit filled with social outcasts and racists, doesn't mean I buy into everything I read on the news, right?

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[–] littleriddle 4 points 5 hours ago

Oh man you have made me see the light. Orange man bad and sucks Putin's dick.

In the last week the media has run a fake lynching story right when Kamala announces her presidential bid and while she has an anti lynching bill in Congress. Before that the media ran a story about teens harassing natives. That one they had backwards. Then some how CNN has a news van in front of Stone's before the street was blocked off by agents to record him being arrested. The media accused Trump of using scare tactics in the debates when he said democrats want late stage abortions up to birth and wow look that is what they have passed or are trying to pass.

Every arrest about Russian collusion are for crimes that involved the Ukrain or process crime claims.

https://video.foxnews.com/v/5619554924001/#sp=show-clips

http://thefederalist.com/2017/02/06/16-fake-news-stories-reporters-have-run-since-trump-won/

I bet you believe that Trump and R Kelly share a pee fetish. Now that is real propaganda paid for by both republicans and democrats and bough from Russia to try and stop Trump from winning the elections.

Oh yeah let's not forget how no Uranium was sold over seas after Russia was allowed to purchase 20% of our production because that never happened. Oh wait it did.

https://thehill.com/policy/national-security/358339-uranium-one-deal-led-to-some-exports-to-europe-memos-show

https://thehill.com/opinion/white-house/409356-fbis-37-secret-pages-of-memos-about-russia-clintons-and-uranium-one

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[–] **Failninjaninja 1 point** 2 hours ago

Can you define propaganda for us? I am curious as to how you define it

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[–] **ImpressivePlayer 1 point** 5 hours ago

Claiming this as propaganda whilst every front page article is just focusing on all the negatives and even 4 fake stories the past month LMAO

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[–] **Cessno 2 points** 5 hours ago

Compared the the constant stream of fake stories on the donald that's pretty good

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[–] **ImpressivePlayer 3 points** 5 hours ago

Link me the fake stories on the donald pretty please with cherry on top

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[–] **Cessno (deleted by user) 1 point** 5 hours ago

Go to the donald and look at a story. Most likely busllshit or heavily editorialized

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[–] **[deleted] 1 point** 5 hours ago

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[–] **LiquidRitz 0 points** 4 hours ago

Care to share these fake stories from the Donald?

Didn't think so.

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[–] **Cessno 1 point** 4 hours ago

I just did

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[–] **Dimwitedroy 5 points** 11 hours ago

Well that's why I asked for sources for any of these statements and then it's up to the readers to make their own judgement.

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[–] **TysonButterbean 15 points** 11 hours ago

Why not just read the news and not make everyone else dig up links for you?

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[–] **Dimwitedroy 6 points** 10 hours ago

See you have some excellent points on how trump did some good for the US but if you actually provided sources and links to all that. Then your statements are more creditable and beliavble to none believers..

But anyways thanks for your 9 page contributions on trump, it was real informative and I do apppeciate your hard work and effort. Have yourself a good one and I do appreciate the fact that you assume I didn't google any of your points but hey I only want to see your hard work be recognized and not downplayed. Just keep being you.

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[–] **Vanderwoolf 2 points** 6 hours ago

Burden of proof is typically on whomever is making the claim, that's all.

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[–] **littleirishmaid 5 points** 11 hours ago

Which things are bs?

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[–] **Cessno** -8 points 10 hours ago

Well that guy blasting gigantic lists is posting a lot of shot that is just not the result of the president and passing it off as trump accomplishments

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[–] **littleirishmaid** 7 points 10 hours ago

Which items on the list, specifically?

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[–] **Cessno** -1 points 10 hours ago

It's Gish gallop. I'm not going to waste my time pointing out every instance where the guy just names symptoms of a good economy and falsely attributed that to trump. Plus there are things on there that just are just not good things. Like efforts to bring back coal.

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[–] **littleirishmaid** 9 points 10 hours ago

When exactly does a current president get to take credit for the economy, be it good or bad?

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[–] **Cessno** 1 point 10 hours ago

Honestly hard to say but it's not in the first two years. Especially when it's part of a trend that started before the president took office. Which is the case with trump

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[–] **littleirishmaid** 8 points 10 hours ago

LOL, so you mean only presidents that you agree with canon claim credit.
https://www.cnbc.com/2019/02/01/nonfarm-payrolls-january-2019.html

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[–] **Cessno** 1 point 10 hours ago

You didn't listen at all and don't understand basic economics. No wonder you are a trump fan.

It's funny how every one of you morons feigns interest in asking questions but just plugs their ears when given an answer.

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[–] **littleirishmaid** 3 points 10 hours ago

Ad hominem FTW /s

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[–] **DUTCHWIZARD** 1 point 5 hours ago

Can't argue with stupid, this person is a lost cause. Just hoping he will discover the light someday..

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[–] **Cessno** 1 point 10 hours ago

At least you realize that just calling out ad hominem doesn't automatically win an argument. You got that going for you

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[–] **littleirishmaid** 2 points 9 hours ago

The person who threw the insult has automatically lost. FTFY

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[–] **Cessno** 1 point 9 hours ago

Oh you actually believe that?

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[–] **FBIncompetence (deleted by user)** 1 point 7 hours ago

TIL sourced facts that liberals don't want to accept is called bullshit

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[–] **Exciter79** 32 points 11 hours ago

Space force could have some potential if it's focused on innovation.

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[–] **Anomalistic_Username** 7 points 5 hours ago

Establish dominance too. Could open up talks to other nations such as Russia and China. Could also be a space arms provider.

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[–] **EVILGR33NRNGR** 32 points 19 hours ago

Improved the quality of political memes

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[–] N1NJ4W4RR10R_ 29 points 13 hours ago

Political humour would like a word

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[–] TJ_Deckerson 3 points 10 hours ago

The subreddit or the concept? /R/politicalhumor is like attending a Sunday morning improv.

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[–] N1NJ4W4RR10R_ 1 point 2 hours ago

I mean general political humour doesn't seem to be much better nowadays. But yeah, the sub.

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[–] dingusfunk 30 points 10 hours ago

Decrease unemployment. It's at its lowest level in 70 years.

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[–] YetiPOL 3 points 2 hours ago

It has been decreasing for years now.

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[–] nuclearfarts99 1 point 2 hours ago

Thanks, Obama.

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[–] Scudstock 28 points 6 hours ago

Audited the damn pentagon.

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[–] 2SCOOPS2TERMS410 27 points 5 hours ago

He pulled out of the Paris accord agreement that was set up to take the United States out of being a super power in multiple industries that would have hurt US workers and helped countries corner markets.

China had no regulations of downing on pollution rates while the United States was set to be absolutely destroyed by regulations that would have forced companies to flee the country.

No one was even paying for it except for the United States so the US citizen taxes were being used to destroy our own country.

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[–] aheadwarp9 -6 points 3 hours ago

No no, the post asked for *good* things he's done. Agreeing to help save the environment that all humans share is pretty important, and pulling out of the Paris Climate Accord set a very bad precedent and hurt our country's standing on the world stage considerably.

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[–] 2SCOOPS2TERMS410 2 points 2 hours ago

In one ear and out of the other.

The Paris accord was made to push regulations on countries to stop pollution. The US was to be heavily regulated. While China was not going to be touched. You can't walk in some parts of China with a mask on.

The US was the top $ contributor where there are multiple countries that didn't give a dime

we pulled out because it was a burden on tax payers and an industry killer.

If you come back with well it was a bad thing go fuck off in some other country we protect because they are pussies

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[–] CrazyCoKids 26 points 10 hours ago

Made people vote in the mid-term elections.

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[–] coocoocthulu 8 points 7 hours ago

As did the Kavanaugh hearings. Actually, the Kavanaugh hearing converted a fair few folks.

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[–] DrCocktorPHD 3 points 3 hours ago

Whether the accusations were credible or not, all of this "believe survivors" shit that popped up because of it was really just a nice way of saying "fuck due process" that people will get behind.

Sexual assault is horrible, it changes lives for the worse, and drives many people to suicide. But if we're not going to examine, cross-examine, and let due process decide the fate of the accused, then the court of public opinion becomes the norm and justice is never properly carried out there.

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[–] VERY_STABLE_DRAGON 25 points 6 hours ago

The US is now a net exporter of oil.

We've achieved oil independence.

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[–] Soldier-one-trick 1 point 49 minutes ago

Independence is good, the fact that it's oil I have less positive feelings about.

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[–] Flashpenny 24 points 12 hours ago

For a serious answer, reopening NASA.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 11 hours ago

After he closed it you mean?

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[–] screenwriterjohn 23 points 5 hours ago

He publicly acknowledged that illegal immigration is not a positive thing.

He gave a reality check to American liberals hopefully.

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[–] YetiPOL 0 points 3 hours ago

What liberals?

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[–] screenwriterjohn 0 points 3 hours ago

Liberals who thought Obama had 100% support. Obama was more divisive than some would like to acknowledge.

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[–] YetiPOL -1 points 3 hours ago

What are you on about lmao

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[–] CreativeRoutine 23 points 17 hours ago

tbh, maybe you could start listening to podcasts of Mark Levin, Larry Elder, or a number of other supporters of his. I mentioned those two specifically as Levin hesitated a long time before he became a fan and Elder was surprised at Trump's popularity after his "They are bringing drugs" comment.

Here is just 1 video to answer instead of a typed up list https://youtu.be/pgdsS_5iLTs?t=23

There is so much more out there. You just have to be willing to stomach it; many people see trump as a champion and protector for American people.

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[–] Antishill_canon -7 points 13 hours ago

"Listen to my right wing propaganda"

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -19 points 13 hours ago

Why would I listen to some pro trump idiots podcast?

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[–] Dover939 12 points 12 hours ago

"Why should I listen to the other side's opinions?"

Hmm... Irony.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 12 hours ago

I mean it's a dedicated podcast about trump. So it's automatically aimed at idiots. Why should I waste my time?

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[–] DarthSlugBoy 11 points 12 hours ago

You're not even giving it a chance, the question in play here is 'what has he done that's good'. This podcast might hold that answer but instead of watching and taking in information from both sides you just call them cultists and dismiss anything else? I'm not a bigTrump fan but you people are no better than the extreme right.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -1 points 11 hours ago

You'd think one of his supporters would be able to tell us why they think he's good without vaguely telling us to subscribe to a right wing podcast.

Making fun of people for not being able to articulate their points does not make me on the same level as the extreme right, which includes groups like the KKK and Neo Nazis. You know, "fine people".

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[–] oif3gunner 6 points 7 hours ago

No one said subscribe.

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[–] DarthSlugBoy 3 points 10 hours ago

I'm saying you're just as stubborn and narrow minded if you're not willing to delve into others beliefs. Maybe you have before so I won't accuse you of that directly. I personally don't stand with either side, there's always a better solution in the middle and I don't want to identify with a group of people that see the other side as the enemy and treat them like garbage when it comes to politics. Either way the far left is just as bad in my opinion, the shunning promoted towards whites is just as racist as any other racism done or promoted toward to minorities.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 10 hours ago

lol. I am white. I didn't say anything racist about white people.

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[–] DarthSlugBoy 8 points 10 hours ago

Dawg I never said you did, I'm just saying the left is just as guilty of being racist as the right. Just having a conversation, I'm not accusing you.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -1 points 10 hours ago

Yeah but that isn't true. Like saying white privileged exists isn't the same kind of thing as wanting to deport all members of a minority group.

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[–] Tonsai 3 points 9 hours ago

wanting to deport *Illegal immigrants*. There, FTFY

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 9 hours ago

And also stop legal immigration.

Remember when we totally had to ban Muslims from entering the USA because something bad was about to happen but then it got delayed for months and nothing happened?

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[–] Tonsai 3 points 9 hours ago

Yeah, that wasn't ever a thing. Muslim's as a group were never banned. Several countries with a muslim majority were travel banned, as they posed a potential threat, but there was never an outright "muslim" ban, that's just more nonsense that people went on about in their hatred of Trump.

Also, please show literally ANY kind of source or citation proving that Trump is against Legal immigration. Building a wall to keep out drug movers and illegals is a far sight from preventing legal immigration.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 9 hours ago

Yeah. But there was no threat. It got delayed for months. Literally nothing happened.

Trump Hired Stephen Miller as a policy expert on immigration. Stephen Miller wants to stop all immigration to the us eventually.

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.politico.com/amp/story/2018/08/29/stephen-miller-immigration-policy-white-house-trump-799199

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[–] Tonsai 3 points 9 hours ago

I read that article. Yes, Stephen Miller is quite hard on immigration. Yet, even from that articles own words, even Trump has claimed that he's hard on it, and implies that Trump doesn't agree with his hard line stance. From what I read into it, he uses Miller as a kind of talking block to determine where to draw the line on some of these policies.

I also like the casual way you tossed aside the muslim ban nonsense. I've heard that talking point so many times, but it seems like no one ever actually bothered to read EO 13769, and just regurgitated nonsense from their echo chambers.

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[–] oif3gunner 2 points 7 hours ago

Who said they wanted to deport all members of a minority group? Please, show proof.

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[–] Dover939 -1 points 12 hours ago

>ANYONE WHO DISAGREES WITH ME IS STUPID DURR

Congrats, you're on the same level as T_D.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 4 points 11 hours ago

Plenty of people disagree with me and are quiet intelligent. The vast majority of those people are not Trumpists.

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[–] Samwise_CXVII 12 points 12 hours ago

You’re right, stick with Rachel Maddow and Anderson Cooper lmao

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 12 hours ago

I don’t watch either of them. I don’t really get into political podcasts. But please explain why I should watch some Trump cultist ranting about how good he thinks trump is?

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[–] 7328360337 10 points 11 hours ago

So you understand both sides and you can learn to debate. Don’t live in your echo chamber for the rest of your life.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 0 points 11 hours ago

More realistically this is because some asshole wants to shill his podcast.

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[–] Rockaustin 9 points 9 hours ago

So you can learn something out of your echo chamber.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 0 points 9 hours ago

But if his views are not based in reality then there’s nothing to learn. I frankly don’t give a fuck what Trump supporters think at this point.

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[–] Rockaustin 6 points 9 hours ago

Nice cop out

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 2 points 9 hours ago

It’s not a cop out. I’m not going to subscribe to some right wing podcast. Do you subscribe to Chapo?

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[–] Rockaustin 10 points 9 hours ago

Wtf is a chapo? You’re not listening to anyone else because you’ll never change your mind no matter what. Just admit it.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 9 hours ago

It’s a left wing podcast.

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[–] Rockaustin 3 points 9 hours ago

Ok, I’ll listen to them. Will you listen to Dan Bongino?

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 9 hours ago

Maybe for a couple of minutes. But like I already said, I don’t even listen to political podcasts from people I do agree with.

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[–] Rockaustin 5 points 9 hours ago

Try harder and maybe you’ll realize the other side isn’t what you think they are.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 9 hours ago

It’s not like I don’t know any Trump supporters lol.

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[–] Rockaustin 3 points 9 hours ago

Obviously not good enough

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 9 hours ago

No. They’re all terrible people.

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[–] Rockaustin 4 points 9 hours ago

Ah, there it is.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 8 hours ago

Hey man. If you fanatically support a piece of shit you might be one yourself.

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[–] Rockaustin 3 points 8 hours ago

ah, there it is again

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[–] Goasupreme 1 point 4 hours ago

How do you know his views aren't based on reality ?

People are too afraid of the possibility that they might be wrong.

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[–] Samwise_CXVII 6 points 12 hours ago

So you are totally unwilling to listen or entertain opposing views. There's a word for that. It's called: BIGOTRY.

Oh the irony is so obvious.

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[–] RyusDirtyGi -6 points 12 hours ago

Oh yes. I'm a bigot for not caring about people who support our traitor of a president.

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[–] Samwise_CXVII 6 points 9 hours ago

No you're a bigot because you ostracize opposing views.

Name one traitorous thing President Trump has done? Oh and do cite a verifiable source, as well. We wouldn't want to be peddling fake news now would we?

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 2 points 9 hours ago

I mean how many of his campaign workers have been arrested for dealing with Russia secretly? Most recently and hilariously, Roger Stone.

He's also publicly ridiculed war heroes and gold star families. If a democrat did that you idiots would be rioting in the streets.

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[–] Samwise_CXVII 9 points 9 hours ago

They weren't "arrested for dealing with Russia" lol. They were process crimes. Basically just Mueller traps as an attempt to make it seem like his investigation is worthwhile

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[–] oif3gunner 4 points 7 hours ago

ZERO

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 7 hours ago

Lol

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[–] oif3gunner 3 points 7 hours ago

Can you name one American citizen in any way associated with Trump that has been charged for anything to do with Russia?

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 7 hours ago

Yeah. There's been several. I'm not going to because you're not asking in good faith. But lol

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[–] oif3gunner 3 points 7 hours ago

No, there hasn't been one.. It's impossible for you to do so you can't!!! Look up their crimes.. You are lying

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[–] RyusDirtyGi 1 point 7 hours ago

lol

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[–] heai7 5 points 12 hours ago

Trump supporter = cultist. Ok

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[–] BooYeah0484 23 points 9 hours ago

Hundreds of things. Liberal brains just can't cope with the fact that he actually has a done a lot of good.

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[–] redzimmer 2 points 9 hours ago

Don't stoop to name-calling. Just give facts.

In 18 years time when they moan about the next president that triggers them, you can't point back and say "told you so."

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[–] Expanded_Memer 22 points 8 hours ago

Growing the nation's economy.

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[–] Dbgb4 21 points 10 hours ago

Bringing about the concerns of the average man and woman and making them to be at least considered. Democrats have left behind the average working class family and now look down upon them with contempt and disdain. Trumps see it and has grabbed them. Will the Republicans continue to do so int he future once Trump is gone remains to be seen.

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[–] albirdly 21 points 10 hours ago

The way he triggers tantrums from the left with just a tweet.

Brilliant stuff.

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[–] DrCarnal 21 points 14 hours ago

He did make huge advances with North Korea and had the Summit. No other president has been able to do that with NK. You won't find a lot of useful replies on Reddit because most of the users are liberals and anti-Trump mostly because the news tells them "**orange man bad**" instead of looking up facts.

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[–] diaperedwoman 20 points 17 hours ago

He made America great again like he promised. News is no longer boring.

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[–] evilfetus01 4 points 6 hours ago

But it is fake.

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[–] kaiihudson 19 points 5 hours ago

Some funny as fuck memes

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[–] BreathOfTheGarlic 18 points 7 hours ago

At least he tried to do something to China (even if it shot the US economy in the foot). China is some Black Mirror-esque place, man.

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[–] 2SCOOPS2TERMS410 19 points 5 hours ago

China's economy is grinding slow as hell right now.

Just google China's economy and look at the news section. Even CNN is talking about it

But none of them will credit Trumps actions against China

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[–] NPC544544 16 points 5 hours ago

The U.S. economy is doing fantastic while China and tge E.U. are tanking.

I would argue we are doing things right while the rest of the world is shooting themselves in the foot but i am open to changing my mind.

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[–] kinjinsan 6 points 3 hours ago

What US economy are you looking at?

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[–] SwampPlumberLLC 17 points 9 hours ago

He has shown us how evil and deranged the Democratic party has come and is shifting even further to the left. Partial birth abortions in VA, you've got to be kidding me. Medicare for all will bankrupt the system and is not a sound system. They live in a fantasy land and the people that vote for them do too.

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[–] _mi_ke 17 points 17 hours ago

For me, it's the lowered tax rates—that's the only good thing he's done since coming into office.

Can't blame him though. He's only been doing what he has promised to do since the beginning.

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[–] Apollo1G 16 points 13 hours ago

Lowered the unemployment rate by a fuck ton. He's shit on all the time which is a shame, because he's done some great stuff for the economy and stuff like that.

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[–] allothernamestaken 15 points 11 hours ago

He's convinced a lot of people to get off their asses and vote.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 30 points 10 hours ago

This is true. I know a bunch of people who didn't vote in the last election or refused to vote for various ideological reasons. Most of them are so impressed with the state of the economy and finally having someone always putting America first they plan on voting for Trump in 2020.

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[–] Senaleb 6 points 7 hours ago

That's me. I didn't vote in the last election because I hated both candidates. But he's won me over. Even if I don't like his imho reckless tweeting..his policy economically and militarily have been so good. I'll likely vote him in 2020. I actually like Tulsi Gabbard on the Dem side..but the DNC seems hellbent to Bernie her.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 3 points 6 hours ago

I actually voted for "What is Aleppo?" Gary Johnson myself. I'm definitely voting Trump in 2020.

Honestly, Gabbard is probably the ONLY viable candidate the DNC has that could even come close to competing with Trump but you're right. This new left that's emerging in the dem party sees here as far to centrist.

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[–] wishusluck 5 points 5 hours ago

The Left is praying this Russia thing knocks him out of office because they are doomed in 2020 if they run on a platform of adding a 3rd bathroom to every place of business. I'm 3rd party and didn't vote for Trump and some of his social policies are sickening but, if things keep going the way they are, I could be swayed...

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[–] stormy_does_anal 1 point 5 hours ago

> The Left is praying this Russia thing knocks him out of office

It won't. Every single day that politics sub has 25 new, we finally got Drumpf now stories queued up. I keep watching week after week as one story right after the next ends up with as much credibility as buzzfeed.

> some of his social policies are sickening

Anything specific social policy wise you really don't like?

> if things keep going the way they are, I could be swayed...

Hopefully we will all be pleasantly surprised. I'm really holding out hope on making progress with North Korea, it's going to take a long time but I'm legitimately stoked we even got them to agree on crossing the DMZ for an in person meeting.

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[–] wishusluck 2 points 5 hours ago

Well his pro life stance is particularly gross since he's probably paid for about a dozen of them for various Hoes. Pro life mandated based on religion is really really awful. Lots of others.

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[–] stormy_does_anal 1 point 5 hours ago

Well, I view abortion outside of rape or medically necessary for survival of the mother as murder so I guess we will just have to disagree on that one. I also see abortion as a eugenics plot considering the history behind Margaret Sanger, planned parenthood, the democrat party and their history of slavery and racism.

Also, the fact that it's hard to argue with numbers that they're not accomplishing her original mission which troubles me greatly as a black man. Then when you add in the fact that the 5th circuit just confirmed that those videos of planned parenthood selling aborted baby parts for profit are legitimate, I just can't fathom any reason to ever support such an organization.

Finally, when you realize they're a taxpayer funded organization who works with the government to take more of my money through threat of force and then uses that money to support campaigns of democrats who in turn vote more money for the organization it's hard to admit that the entire thing is anything less than one giant eugenics scam created to keep population numbers for black Americans below a certain percentage.

I'm always open to someone trying to convince me otherwise just like I am on any issue, but this one just seems so wrong to me.

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[–] **orangemanbad3** **1 point** 3 hours ago

Where are you getting the idea that planned parenthood is targeting black children or selling baby parts for profit?

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[–] **wishusluck** **0 points** 4 hours ago

Well abortion sure worked when I was 19 and knocked up my girlfriend allowing us to avoid our having to raise a child WAY before either of us were ready. It was a much better option than her carrying to term and giving up the child for adoption. She had a choice, thank god.

Judging on your response there is no way I'm going into a political debate with you on my other concerns with the far right. You have apparently been radicalized and there is no point arguing with you as I am outgunned.

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[–] **stormy_does_anal** **1 point** 4 hours ago

> It was a much better option than her carrying to term and giving up the child for adoption.

Maybe for your own convenience. It sure let you avoid any accountability from your actions. I would venture to say that poor baby, had it been given the choice would argue otherwise. Something you'll have to live with though. Personally, I don't think I could ever get over the guilt I would feel.

> You have apparently been radicalized

You can put whatever buzzwords on my previous response you want but absolutely nothing that I said was false. Margaret Sanger's history is easily searchable and pretty well known as is the democrat party and their rejection of the civil rights act etc......

I immigrated here from Grenada around 20 years ago and in order to earn my citizenship I had to take a serious deep dive into US history which kind of hooked me to say the least. I think if you took the time to look for yourself you would see the false narrative you're being fed.

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[–] **wishusluck** **2 points** 4 hours ago

Thank you for helping me see that you are 100% correct. No argument from me, I'll just move along with my day.

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[–] **ErnestPenfoldII** **15 points** 11 hours ago

The Fed's policy is to cool off the economy whenever the unemployment rate gets too low in order to prevent inflation.

I like the fact that Trump is pushing on them not to raise the rates proactively. It isn't standard economics, and it might all turn into a complete disaster, but IMO more people working is better than preventing possible future inflation.

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[–] **SmoteySmote** **3 points** 6 hours ago

No. The Fed WANTS inflation as they believe it is a sign of growth. They dread deflation which is the dropping of prices on assets.

When the fed lowers interest rates they "force" big banks, who access the Fed borrowing window (the normal person can't do this), to buy more debt from the Fed, thus increasing the pool of money. The larger the pool of money, the higher asset prices go. Most people see this in the higher cost of food, school, insurance, taxes but the Fed says those things aren't inflation. The wealthy though see the inflation in their assets as their multi-million dollar apartments appreciate, and their rare jewelry skyrockets, or their famous artwork sells for record highs, or their collectible cars find new markets.

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[–] **Z01dbrg** **0 points** 6 hours ago

This comment will not age well.

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[–] **BearC4t12** **15 points** 5 hours ago

Mark my words. Trump will be known in history as one of the most effective and productive Presidents in history. Liberals will claim they always loved him 10 years from now.

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[–] **[deleted]** **1 point** 3 hours ago

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** **1 point** 2 hours ago

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[–] **BearC4t12** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Replace the H's with W's

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[–] **surroundedbya55holes** **2 points** 2 hours ago

Now that was good lol

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[–] **Muhgeetah (deleted by user)** **0 points** 2 hours ago

I don't like Trump but that was good lol

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** **-1 points** 2 hours ago

So what you're saying is that people who think this shithead won't be remembered well are Waluigi?

I'm okay with that.

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[–] **braapstututu** **1 point** 4 hours ago

A president doing many good things ≠ people excusing the bad things he's done.

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[–] **DrCocktorPHD** **4 points** 3 hours ago

Andrew Jackson is commonly ranked as one of the top 10 US Presidents and graces our $20 bill. He also destroyed our economy for his own gain and committed genocide.

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[–] **RevRaven** **15 points** 12 hours ago

My 401k has jumped up in value since he took office.

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[–] **battlefieldguy145** **15 points** 5 hours ago

Nothing. The TV told me he has done nothing good and the TV would not lie to me.

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[–] **the_aarong** **9 points** 4 hours ago

Hahaha love this

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[–] **yeahbuddy** **14 points** 3 hours ago

We need more of this type of thread. Believe it or not, Orange Man Bad has done a shitload of good things. It's time we recognize it and unite.

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[–] **OmniscientArmadillo** **-1 points** an hour ago

There's a ton in t_d, why not just go there?

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[–] **surfdad64** **14 points** 10 hours ago

A better question is - What good has Reddit done lately? besides questionable banning

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[–] **jarjarkinksXDD** **3 points** 7 hours ago

It's a terrible shit show, but has some good

It was cool when that terminally ill guy got the attention of Disney to watch the new avengers

A few months back in Texas someone's dog was stolen and Reddit helped

Around Christmas people gave away alot of steam keys

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[–] **travelthief** **14 points** 5 hours ago

Oh man just waiting for the mods to remove all the lists of Trumps accomplishment!

Can't have any wrongthink around here!!

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[–] **theharrypodcast (deleted by user)** **13 points** 6 hours ago

Not sure if you'll like this answer, but I think the best thing he's done is open peoples' eyes to the fallibility of mass media. He's turned a whole generation of people into critical thinkers when it comes to news stories, and I think that will be a net positive.

The other major thing is that young people especially seem FAR more invested in politics now because they see Trump as such a big threat. The engagement level they have with political discussion seems much higher than I can remember ever before.

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[–] **Tira-Flecha** **13 points** 12 hours ago

Built the us embassy in Jerusalem, bombed the site Syria poisoning villages, pulled 3 POWs out of North Korea, is actually working on a trading deal with China, pulled us out of the Paris treaty, unemployment is at an all time low in American history. Black unemployment is the lowest it's ever been, lowered taxes= more jobs. I missed a few.

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[–] **HAIcaster** **13 points** 4 hours ago

I know this doesn't add to the conversation, but it makes me so happy to see reddit actually give Trump some credit

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[–] **Adornment-F** **12 points** 19 hours ago

Hamberders?

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[–] **Aconserva3** **9 points** 11 hours ago

The fact that several people can say "I had a McDonald's buffet at the White House" makes the whole thing worth it.

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[–] **Redditthedog** **12 points** 11 hours ago

Become the president to make america great

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[–] **Toke_420** **-2 points** 11 hours ago

When does he start doing that?

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[–] **littleirishmaid** **9 points** 11 hours ago

Jobs numbers just cam out. Google it.

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[–] **Toke_420** **0 points** 10 hours ago

I see a pretty steady increase in jobs and decrease in unemployment starting around 2009. Is there a specific number you are referring to?

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[–] **littleirishmaid** **3 points** 10 hours ago

Since 2009, we had better hope the numbers rose. They couldn't get much lower.

December https://www.forbes.com/sites/chuckdevore/2019/01/04/312000-jobs-added-in-december-manufacturing-growing-714-faster-under-trump-than-obama/

January https://www.marketwatch.com/story/213000-private-sector-jobs-created-in-january-adp-says-2019-01-30

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[–] **Toke_420** **1 point** 10 hours ago

The overall trends have been steady for years

https://www.bls.gov/charts/employment-situation/civilian-unemployment-rate.htm

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[–] **littleirishmaid** **2 points** 10 hours ago

They're better now than they were in 2005/2006 at the height of the economy.

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[–] **Toke_420** **1 point** 10 hours ago

The trend started its upswing at the beginning of Obama's term. Do you give Obama credit for that?

FWIW, Personally I don't think the president has a huge impact on the economy by himself. Especially on the growth side. They can possibly be a big factor in a downturn if they do something particularly devastating.

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[–] **redzimmer** **12 points** 9 hours ago

Should've added [SERIOUS]. This will just turn into the usual.

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[–] **MemeDealer33_2nd** **11 points** 6 hours ago

He kept Hillary out of office

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[–] dsds548 4 points 6 hours ago

That summarizes exactly what I was thinking!

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[–] mobileisinferior 11 points 10 hours ago

Stopping illegal immigration is a good thing. His way of going about it, not so much

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[–] Tunderbar1 11 points 7 hours ago

Stopped the Clintons.

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[–] Xenepa 10 points 6 hours ago

He beat the other terrible candidate

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[–] SapphireLance 10 points 3 hours ago

He got an entire nation into politics. He raised awareness on corruption and how shit our democracy is. He has ultimately done more good than the past 5 presidents.

A still pond will develop disease on the bottom. If you want to clean the pond you first have to stir it up.

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[–] Failninjaninja 10 points 2 hours ago

This has so many more comments than up votes are people down voting this just because it brings up some good stuff Trump has done?

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[–] howmch41rib 3 points 2 hours ago

At this point, id be more surprised if that werent the case -_-

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[–] nuclearfarts99 -1 points 2 hours ago

I think most of the downvotes are because we've seen this particular question before and it ALWAYS turns into a political shitshow.

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[–] PsiCopAI 10 points 13 hours ago

You want r/neutralpolitics, I think.

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[–] jumpifnotzero 21 points 8 hours ago

Where sources are required for all conservative views. No thanks. That place is /r/politics with an illusion of neutrality.

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[–] 100PercentRudos 11 points 7 hours ago

Well said. Tried to comment in that subreddit and was hit with that when I was presenting a personal experience. Yeah, no thanks to returning

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[–] politicusmaximus 4 points 6 hours ago

I like to call it /r/politicswithnicewords

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[–] PsiCopAI 1 point an hour ago

Hah, I didn't know that. Thanks. Though I suspected true neutrality would be hard to find. Don't suppose there are any better subs along those lines?

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[–] patrickdontdie 10 points 6 hours ago

I would let him build the wall if he made weed federally legal so the military can smoke off-duty. I feel it would bring the suicide rate down as well.

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[–] BearC4t12 7 points 5 hours ago

This is his ace in the hole for 2020 in my opinion. All signs point to it heading that way. He supports alternative medicine and just legalized hemp production.

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[–] ThrowawayBCtolLeft 1 point 29 minutes ago

I wish he had proposed this during the shutdown negotiations, that would have been huge for both sides. Most trump supporters I know would have loved to see this happen, regardless of the wall.

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[–] Oculument 1 point 2 hours ago

The military has its own rules. They will never permit weed off duty nor should they because the THC takes so long to clear out of the system. A person can be drunk and then sober in 24 hours. Coming off a high isn't the same thing at all. (Details: alcohol is water soluble, THC is fat soluble).

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[–] jedledbetter 9 points 11 hours ago

Shown everyone that republicans and democrats are basically the same

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[–] nuclearfarts99 2 points 2 hours ago

/r/ENLIGHTENEDCENTRISM

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[–] SilverEyedDove 9 points 7 hours ago

While I personally don't agree with every single thing the man stands for, I can appreciate the following through on campaign promises. He's probably one of the first politicians in modern history to address everything he mentioned while campaigning, and to do so in the ways that he promised.

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[–] starshopping_59 9 points 6 hours ago

Exposed the deep state of the government. Fights against lazy republicans and democrats. Working on criminal justice reform and lowering sentences for non violent crime. Exposing the corruption within the government and how bad it is. Also he legalized the growing of hemp. Better border security.

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[–] YetiPOL 2 points 2 hours ago

Also joined the deep state and corruption.

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[–] arachelrhino 9 points 2 hours ago

Seriously, Other than the current shut-down, I haven't actually noticed any negative side effects of him being in office. My paychecks look better and my money seems to go further, and for the first time in a long while, I don't feel like America is at war.

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[–] geodig 8 points 7 hours ago

Kept the Clinton's out of the White House

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[–] dick_dastardlys_dog 8 points 4 hours ago

Human trafficking arrests skyrocketing source

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[–] nuclearfarts99 1 point 2 hours ago

What's the study cited by that graph? A graph on its own is not a source.

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[–] pho_king_fast 8 points 3 hours ago

simplified tax returns.

because the standard exemption was doubled, most people will now take the standard deduction, and tax prep will be a lot easier and quicker.

also most people will pay less. very rich will pay more.

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[–] UncleCoyote 8 points 11 hours ago

All right, but apart from the sanitation, the medicine, education, wine, public order, irrigation, roads, a fresh water system, and public health, what have the Romans ever done for us?

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[–] itshighbroom 8 points 5 hours ago

How has this not been banned or brigaded yet ?!?! Good job mods!

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[–] nuclearfarts99 -3 points 2 hours ago

Oh, it's been brigaded hard by T_D.

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[–] Computermaster 8 points 5 hours ago

He tricked terrible people into exposing themselves for all the world to see.

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[–] sonny68 8 points 9 hours ago

This thread: https://knowyourmeme.com/photos/1350175-trump-derangement-syndrome

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[–] xxPOOTYxx 8 points 7 hours ago

Saved the country from another corrupt Clinton presidency

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[–] Bakuninophile 8 points 15 hours ago

The tax cuts were cool.

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[–] 19djafoij02 8 points 7 hours ago

First Step Act.

Even if he only signed it as a favor for Kim and Kanye.

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[–] ZippyTheChicken 8 points 2 hours ago

he has exposed how blatant the bias is in the media

no matter what the story is.. no matter which side you think you are on

The news just can not be trusted anymore

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[–] SoldMySoulForHairDye (deleted by user) 7 points 17 hours ago

Made a lot of people look back on the Bush 2.0 years with nostalgia.

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[–] HTS-got-Damascus 7 points 14 hours ago

An 18 year war and the complete destruction of the Middle East with an illegal invasion is sure better than some twitter shitposting. Liberal priorities are straight.

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[–] Jackpot807 1 point 10 hours ago

For real, Bush was a fucking warmongerer

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[–] theawesomeone 0 points 10 hours ago

Yeah that's bullshit. Anyone who was an adult during the GWB years knows what a giant disaster of a president he was.

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[–] SoldMySoulForHairDye (deleted by user) 1 point 10 hours ago

I know. He was awful, yet someone came along who made him look less terrible. I didn't think it was possible.

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[–] irahulpandey88 7 points 8 hours ago

Shaking hand with North Korea

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[–] --Hbomberguy-- 7 points 5 hours ago

Limiting muslim immigration when every other western countries is letting more and more in

I'm in the uk and I'm worried about the future

Muslims have high birth rates

Brits have low birth rates

With mass migration muslims could have a presence here

They could get their religious laws implemented

They're not integrating.

Just today we had a news report that some muslim school here was making female students wait until male students had finished their food before they could eat

That's just one of many reasons why they're not integrating

And it's happening in most western countries

I honestly don't know what'll happen in the future with muslims having a presence here

I just hope we can hold on to our freedoms and our secularism

Trump is making the right decision here.

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[–] braapstututu -6 points 3 hours ago

You've read to much propoganda mate religion as a whole is going down and religious people for the most part are getting more progressive and less extreme, the UK is a secular country that will never get Sharia law it just won't happen.

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[–] painalfulfun 5 points 3 hours ago

You know those "no go" zone's the police have ... Thats because Sharia Law Enforcers aka the muslim population will murder them.

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[–] braapstututu -3 points 3 hours ago

You mean what trump and right wing American need has reported on that literally no British person belives.

Quit your bullshit

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[–] Slinginthemeat 7 points 3 hours ago

He made the silent majority less silent.

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[–] FelTheTrainer 7 points 10 hours ago

THE MEMES

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[–] help_helper 7 points 3 hours ago

He is reinforcing our electrical grid against EMPs. First president to take it seriously.

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[–] howmch41rib 1 point an hour ago

I missed this, so glad to hear. This issue was brought up recently on The Savage Nation podcast. if MSM wanted to start being less divisive and more useful, this genuine threat to our safety was their cue lol.

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[–] Opsophagos 7 points 2 hours ago

I am not sure of the current status but he was trying to make pharmaceutical companies include the average price of a drug in the commercial along with all those fun side effects.

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[–] gajiarg 7 points 6 hours ago

Wow... we broke the conditioner err conditioning

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[–] SneeryLems396 7 points 5 hours ago

Truth is Trump has done many things very well and a lot of the contributors here have demonstrated that this thread is worth a thorough read. Especially if you're political leanings are left of center.

He's IMPLEMENTED policy the left has been talking about for years but still gets ripped for it by the left.

And he doesn't answer to the established powers in America. Not to the GOP, DNC, lobbyists or corporations. He's aware he's president and is putting power back in the hands of Americans every day. The fact he even got elected is a demonstration America isn't list yet.

Love him or hate him he's doing what he thinks is right and isn't nearly as stupid as the media would have you believe. And a lot of his actions have benefited everyone

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[–] SexyRickSandM 6 points 2 hours ago

I'm surprised this thread hasn't been locked yet

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[–] godofmediocrity53 6 points an hour ago

He passed a bill that allows terminally ill patients to try non-FDA approved treatments for their illnesses. It’s good that these people can try different things to help themselves when all else fails

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[–] CrocsandMimosas 6 points an hour ago

He ended affirmative action which I can get behind. California outlawed it already, but nobody should be rejected from school based on race.

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[–] Odin343 6 points 3 hours ago

He's been good for the economy

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[–] laughgh 6 points 2 hours ago

SPACE FORCE

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[–] KekOpera 6 points an hour ago

Out of the many great things Trump has done, the best thing of all has been exposing the media as fake news and accelerating the death of the legacy media and rise of the non-controlled indie media.

Andrew Jackson went down as the president who broke up the banks.

Trump will go down in history as the president who broke up the media.

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[–] OmniscientArmadillo 1 point 41 minutes ago

lmao, pretty sure Jackson went down as the racist authoritarian president who started the trail of tears, not for breaking up the bank

If you look fondly upon a guy who genocided the natives, Trump will look like a saint

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[–] KekOpera 1 point 28 minutes ago

>If you look fondly upon a guy who genocided the natives, Trump will look like a saint

What do you think Andrew Jacksons body count is compared to say Obama or Hillary, or Bill Clinton, or take your pick...

Go ahead, crybaby. Ill wait hehe

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[–] SleepingBMW 6 points 4 hours ago

Undisputed king of Twitter shitposting (which is all of Twitter)

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[–] RutlandIowa 5 points 5 hours ago

Is this Reddit?

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[–] rfonorow 5 points 5 hours ago

Allowed our military to field test a bunker buster on ISIS leadership

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[–] acornstu 5 points 5 hours ago

Become the single greatest troll that the world will ever see. Triggered the mental gymnastics team so hard they actually took to burning their free shit in the streets.

Billions of years of evolution and I get to watch a reality tv star basically throw his dick on the desk in the oval office and rip Americas balls back from that traitor peice of unamerican shit Obama.

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[–] ImHereForHentaiThxC 5 points 3 hours ago

He's fixed the economy.

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[–] StefanGP 5 points 7 hours ago

the economy has been pretty good

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[–] Someonedm 5 points 9 hours ago

He made klinton look bad.

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[–] emporercrunch 1 point 7 hours ago

20+ years of Fox News and Republican Radio propaganda did it first.

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[–] John_Smith18 5 points 4 hours ago

He prevented Hillary Clinton from becoming President. For that alone, he should be thanked.

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[–] gospartansmsu 5 points 4 hours ago

Lowered taxes which helped in the following: My father owns a small business. Now he doesn't have to pay as much taxes. Now he is able to hire another employee to give them a steady income.

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[–] lurk1122 1 point 3 hours ago

That is baloney sorry I also own a small business

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[–] ReasoneWhy 5 points 3 hours ago

Ummm... Not letting Hillary be the president? Seriously, I don't wanna be bombarded again 😩

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[–] BUFFALO___ 5 points 3 hours ago

see this is a nice post and comment section, im one of those half left half right people and i actually look into the source material before i decide on hating a politician or leader. instead of only watching Fox or only CNN like a dumb dumb cuz they will only tell you what they want you to know, I watch both. that way u get both sides of the story (i also go back into the unedited source material) and also if you see something bad that trump said, just go to the full video or unedited rally and see the context before and after. CNN loves out of context "we need to deport all immigrants" type things trump says. Fox also wont show that he isn't perfect.

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[–] imacommy 5 points 2 hours ago

Our economy is booming, chilled North Korea the fuck out, lower taxes, unemployment is at a record low across the board, we have achieved energy independence, pulling out of meaningless bullshit wars in the middle east

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[–] bena_memez 5 points 11 hours ago

Carried Stephen Colbert's show for a period of time

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[–] Forward-Unto-Don 5 points 7 hours ago

He stopped CROOKED HILLARY CLINTON from becoming president! Thanks Donald.

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[–] verymuchlol 5 points 7 hours ago

Exposed the Democratic party for the fraudulent party that it is.

Declared Jerusalem as Israel's capital. No other president has done that.

Currently, he's trying to pull our troops out of Syria.

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[–] BeraldGevins 4 points 11 hours ago

Forced the democrats to be better versions of themselves. Caused the largest amount of women and minorities to run and win in the house. And I won't deny his role in cooling relations with North Korea.

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[–] nukeHugsParticleLuvs 4 points 7 hours ago

The Korean war is pretty much over. You'd think this would be covered like crazy. Showing all the steps that North and South have been making towards peace after hella years of super hostility. There should seriously be a TIME piece on it, but whatevs, no one apparently cares about peace in the Koreas and not getting nuclear bomb threats from the north any more.

The lack of coverage on it is hard-core red pilling.

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[–] kinjinsan 3 points 3 hours ago

Had his predecessor done just this, there would have been talk of carving him on My. Rushmore.

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[–] nuclearfarts99 0 points 2 hours ago

Uh, hate to break it to you, but North Korea is continuing their nuclear program.

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[–] sixgrainnut 4 points 3 hours ago

He has brought attention to the rise of China as a global economic powerhouse of technological innovation and if the United States is inattentive to the potential security and economic risks that can build in the current state of business affairs we risk the very foundations of our government and our lives. On the other hand, Russia.

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[–] mastersifo-diaz 1 point 14 minutes ago

So basically if the US isn't dominant our lives are threatened?

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[–] H00L1GAN419 4 points 2 hours ago

renegotiated NAFTA to the US advantage...

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[–] tubarZ 4 points 10 hours ago

Nothing! Orange man bad! [visable anger]

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[–] deS0SA 4 points 6 hours ago

Created a new lvl of meme Material.

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[–] abusivehillary 4 points 4 hours ago

Trump has exposed the American media as being one great big propaganda machine. It's actually pretty fucking hilarious. Now I vote simply for the person that CNN and 99.999% of Reddit tells me not to vote for. :)

Oh, and he also helped expose the Democrat party as Socialist assholes.

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[–] ProdigalPlaneswalker 4 points 2 hours ago

Made America Great Again!

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[–] asianguy696 4 points 2 hours ago

Trump doesn't seem that bad apart from being a fickhead in real life according to this thread. Seems one sided though but every time the other party tries to comeback, it is legit just a load of bullshit and some Russian conspiracies or some shit. Sure he is a asshole but according to this thread, he seems like he has actually done something worthwhile like cleaning the sea act and countering Russia's oil industry that is their life line

Yes trump might be a dumb dumb like how he doesn't believe in global warming but he did say he will clean the ocean up so that's a start

It's just that on Reddit, there is so much left propaganda , I feel like I'm starting to fall into the hole that no matter what trump does, it's always bad and they never mention any good stuff or if they do, it's never trumps idea

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[–] Aidan-Pryde 4 points an hour ago

He made Hillary lose.

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[–] cmtenten 4 points 7 hours ago

Some beautiful red pills in the thread.

Progressives and other leftist totalitarians on suicide watch.

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 4 points 7 hours ago

Deescalated tensions with North Korea through one of the most impressive displays of "peace through strength" the world may have ever seen.

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[–] Proudfoot94 0 points 6 hours ago

Yea and who caused the tension in the first place? I love how he celebrated a meeting that accomplished nothing but legitimize a dictator and saluted their military. NK didn't take down their testing facilities like promised. All a bunch of propaganda.

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 3 points 5 hours ago

Who caused the tension? You realize the Korean War is not technically over, right? There's been tension for decades lmao, Trump didn't do that. We got the remains of American soldiers returned to us, or does that not matter to you? Denuclearization is in the works. If you don't see the value in an American president shaking hands with the leader of N Korea than you know little about history.

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[–] thrtysmthng 4 points 7 hours ago

He's done a spectacular job protecting our veterans. Still a ways to go, though.

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[–] recipriversexcluson 4 points 5 hours ago

He serves as excellent example why voting is important.

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[–] farnsworth_esq 4 points an hour ago

WTF. How did this thread survive on Reddit?

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[–] ajax5206 3 points 6 hours ago

Space Force.

We'll see huge space innovations in the upcoming years, I'm sure

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[–] CantBeStumped 3 points 5 hours ago

He exposed the rabid left.

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[–] Lady_Otaku 3 points 5 hours ago

n..n.n.nothing! Orange man bad!

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[–] Exiled_From_Twitter 3 points 4 hours ago

He has shown us how fucking disgusting our political system is

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[–] no___homo 3 points 4 hours ago

Came for the comments.

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[–] BobTehGuy 3 points 13 hours ago

The unemployment rate is at a all time low (more are employed) since Obama was president, so he is successfully raising that.

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[–] Dried_Squid_ 3 points 5 hours ago

He's become a source of endless memes which has made my life a bit brighter from time to time. I have to thank him and all the meme people for making me smile and helping me get through life when it was at its worse.

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[–] treacletartinatin 3 points 9 hours ago

The word "covfefe". My husband and I have been referring to coffee as covfefe for about a year now. Loathe the man but the word tickles me pink.

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[–] RSwordsman 1 point 7 hours ago

I feel like decades from now I'll say this randomly and a kid will ask, "Why do you call coffee 'covfefe'?" And I'll have no concise way to explain it.

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[–] Guest2424 3 points 7 hours ago

The current backing out of the treaty with Russia is not bad really. I mean the only one that is adhering to it is the US. Russia has been breaking it for basically forever. China's not a Signatory, North Korea isn't either. It doesn't make sense to be in a deal when you're the only one upholding it. And no. I don't think it's the start of Cold War II just because this happened.

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[–] Sevaa_1104 3 points 6 hours ago

I'm glad he supports Venezuela's Guaido. Not surprised though, if there's something both major sides in America agree on, it's that Maduro is a massive dickwad.

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[–] LaunchesKayaks 3 points 4 hours ago

Memes

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[–] redis_help 3 points 2 hours ago

Exposed how corrupt the Media is.

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[–] Obzen18 3 points 2 hours ago

Oh man this thread...

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[–] sapphiresnowflake 3 points 4 hours ago

That tax cut was nice

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[–] BananaBob360 3 points 2 hours ago

A good amount, actually. He's not the best president by far and I don't agree with some of his choices, but he's done a decent number of things that have been beneficial to both the USA and the world.

Here's an article: https://www.google.com/amp/s/amp.usatoday.com/amp/1258575002

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[–] BreezyEasy1 3 points 3 hours ago

He had a role in Home Alone 2

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[–] konniekhan-126 2 points 5 hours ago

In a sense he made people who otherwise don't pay attention to politics start paying attention. I think that's a pretty good thing.

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[–] declan6688kim22 2 points 5 hours ago

He made a lot of progress on peace with north korea

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[–] Chri5ti4n733 2 points 5 hours ago

Defeated ISIS, Brought unemployment rates down, made peace with North Korea, and put the American people first. (Except those employees effected by the shutdown)

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[–] Hot4M 2 points 5 hours ago

Helps expose the ridiculous evil of the democrats and media lately. MAGA!

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[–] room66 2 points 4 hours ago

I think one of the benefits is he's totally drawn out and exposed leftists for what they are. Used to be they'd hide their true intentions but now they're brazen without a care for all to see. And that's because of Trump :)

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[–] lurk1122 -1 points 3 hours ago

Because what exactly has he exposed bad about leftist except we do not like to waste money on something that does not work

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[–] OddPatience7 2 points 4 hours ago

Looks like Shareblue/Correct the Record forgot to point their bots and downvote algorithms here today lol. They must have been extra busy in r/politics.

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[–] PokeSmot420420 2 points 3 hours ago

James Mattis, Jerome Powell, and Neil Gorsuch. Can't really think of much else.

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[–] Galileo182 2 points 3 hours ago

Got me off Facebook.

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[–] Blockyguy247 2 points 3 hours ago

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[–] Dirtybrd 2 points 2 hours ago

I've been on reddit for 11 years now. This is the most brigaded post I've ever seen. It puts /r/bestof to shame lmao.

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 2 points an hour ago

Not that I think Clinton was a bad President but he lucked into an elite time to be in office let's be honest lol

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[–] TheSoBot 2 points an hour ago

Gee, I'd post, but you see, certain posts that list his accomplishments get deleted. Orange man bad!

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[–] BasketOfPepes 2 points an hour ago

I throw shit back and forth with others on Reddit, however this is the first time in a while I've seen both sides have come together and had some good political discussion (for the most part). Just wanted to post and say it's noticed and I appreciated reading through some of the comments from both sides of the aisle.

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[–] TheSmashPosterGuy 2 points 11 hours ago

Even with a serious tag you won't get the answers on here. None of them will be above 0 votes.

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[–] XENSAT 0 points 9 hours ago

literally just scrolled past countless posts listing his achievements with the users who posted being awarded gold, the victim complex is truly amazing.

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[–] whatthefir2 -12 points 9 hours ago

Well that's because the donald is brigading the hell out of it.

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[–] nuclearfarts99 2 points 2 hours ago

you're not wrong, some of the top comments are just kissing his ass and hating on liberals with no sources to be seen

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[–] blowreaper 0 points an hour ago

Comment aged like milk

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[–] RsnCondition 2 points 5 hours ago

He's anti-war. And I don't even like him.

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[–] Keinichn 2 points 4 hours ago

Well, he got a *huge* amount of people interested in political happenings. That's always a good thing.

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[–] lurk1122 0 points 3 hours ago

And that showed in the midterms

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[–] Sasauers19 2 points 4 hours ago

Giving Americans a leader who is not afraid to speak his mind and follows what he believes, not what others try to whisper in his ear. Yeah, he may not be perfect, but newsflash: no one is.

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[–] super_colonel 2 points 4 hours ago

Well, lets think, he has NOT killed babies, he has NOT started wwIII, he has saved some soldiers from kuwait, he actually became president unlike that bitch killary clinton, he gave some NFL players some food with his OWN money, he has done a lot of good stuff. If you dont like him, idc, but he is our president, wether you like it or not so move to canada for all i care. He is doing his best to be a good president and he is doing a damn good job at it. Way better than killary bitchton was.

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[–] AlexHero64 2 points 3 hours ago

He not the other crazy bitch

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[–] danielkiwi13 -1 points 3 hours ago

That's not him doing anything

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[–] OtherGuyJo 2 points 3 hours ago

I haven't fully scrolled down, but something tells me someone is gonna get salty and start a war in the comments. (if it hasn't happened already)

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[–] SuperDuperChuck 2 points 2 hours ago

ITT: a lot of shit Trump didn't do

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[–] davidaware 2 points an hour ago

Finally sticking up against China. Shit has gone on for way to long, every administration talked about how big the problem was but didn't do any thing because it would cost votes. Democracy for ya.

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[–] SynisterBaconLord 2 points 10 hours ago

This is one of those threads where you have to sort by controversial if you want real answers.

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[–] Sticky-G 2 points 7 hours ago

The FDA commissioner is pretty solid.

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[–] **buckus69** **2 points** 7 hours ago

He invented hamberders

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[–] **skilliard7** **2 points** an hour ago

Reducing taxes, making healthcare more affordable by allowing healthcare association plans/giving consumers more choice over their healthcare, and forcing hospitals to post prices. That's about it.

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[–] **sean__christian** **2 points** 6 hours ago

Gave the dumb fucks at my work something to grumble over, although if the blue lady won the stupid fucks on the other end of the office would have something to talk about. 50/50

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[–] **JayNotAtAll** **2 points** 5 hours ago

In my mind, exposed how much America needs to grow as a nation. We may be wealthy and have a big army but there are a ton of things we need to address with the people.

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[–] **AccountingForlove** **2 points** 3 hours ago

He got the Democrats to drop their pretense of sanity.

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[–] **TheBarracuda99** **2 points** an hour ago

He’s gotten more people to see just how truly despicable American culture is, so that’s a plus.

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[–] **jaymatt14** **2 points** 8 hours ago

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[–] **Ofvlad** **2 points** 4 hours ago

I think he has made some headway into prison reform.

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[–] **lurk1122** **0 points** 3 hours ago

Got a link beside him transfering oversight to buddies in the private prison system

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[–] **Ofvlad** **0 points** 2 hours ago

I don’t, I could be wrong & honestly I kinda felt dirty trying to list something I think trump has done well.

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[–] **TheBassMeister (deleted by user)** **1 point** 15 hours ago

The Apprentice had some good and funny moments

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[–] **DougCim53** **1 point** 7 hours ago

He has upset the GOP power structure AND the corporate media power structure, and that's two very wonderful things.

When Ron Paul ran, it became clear that there were a lot of GOP voters who found his ideas appealing early on, and the GOP (and media) response was to totally ignore him. I see all the votes for Donald Trump as payback for GOP voters who are tired of RINOs chosen by the GOP. It is comical that they disliked him so much, and he won anyway. They made this shit sandwich and now they're eating it.

Then Trump started tweeting, because it was obvious that the mainstream media was not going to be kind to him. So he bypassed them totally, and they absolutely resent it. He took away their media privilege, and denied them the opportunity to influence his public perception. They thought of themselves as grand architects of political opinion, and he showed them to be mere janitors of current events. And that's the way it should be.

As a president, I think he's done lousy. The whole mantra of "draining the swamp" came back to bite him, big time. When you must navigate a swamp, having a few friendly people who live there to help can save you a LOT of trouble.

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[–] **ThisGuy928146** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Making the trains run on time.

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[–] **Para4oX** **1 point** 5 hours ago

Made Twitter great again.

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[–] **tushnet** **1 point** 4 hours ago

We will inevitably end up with some clearer boundaries and exposed fallacies of the Presidential power under the Constitution as a result of his dismal presidency.

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[–] DivineOtter (deleted by user) 1 point 4 hours ago

/r/NeutralPolitics had a much better thread on this topic 10 days ago that was not brigades by t_d

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[–] GarththeGarth 1 point 4 hours ago

Pulling out of Syria and Afghanistan

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[–] harlottesometimes -1 points 4 hours ago

We still have soldiers in both fields.

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[–] GarththeGarth 1 point 3 hours ago

Your point being? Withdrawal has been set in motion, obviously that takes time.

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[–] harlottesometimes 0 points 3 hours ago

Please remember the sacrifice the members of our armed services make for our security. They have important, dangerous, demanding jobs regardless of President's latest tweet. Until they are home, they are in field.

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[–] GarththeGarth 0 points 2 hours ago

You're right, it's easy to forget just how hard it is to be a tool of imperialism. Next time I see one, I'll be sure to thank them for their continued efforts to preserve American hegemony and secure resource rights in the name of Freedom & Democracy™!

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[–] harlottesometimes 1 point 2 hours ago

>to be a tool of imperialism.

I think you're confused. We have a president, not an emperor. No matter how much he abuses our democratic system, neither he nor his office will ever rule supreme.

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[–] GarththeGarth 1 point an hour ago

Hold up hoss, don't go calling people confused when you don't understand the concept ofimperialism. I think the link will provide some elucidation and may prove useful in future discourse. Cheers!

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[–] harlottesometimes 0 points an hour ago

>The word imperialism originated from the Latin word imperium,[2] which means supreme power.

Thank you. I found the link *supremely* helpful.

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[–] GameCreeper 1 point 2 hours ago

Only gaining presidency in 2016 and not earlier

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[–] Hiazi 1 point 2 hours ago

He got people who never would have otherwise touched the subject into the realm of politics.

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[–] TheInternetPolice2 1 point 2 hours ago

Buy out asshole companies

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[–] tea1w4 1 point an hour ago

Giving a shit about Venezuela, the best cursed image of all time, helping Kevin, hemp.

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[–] DiPaolos_Gay_Son 1 point 49 minutes ago

This thread makes my little green frog heart proud. A shining light in a dark sea of angry robots and misinformed college kids.

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[–] DaCousIsLoose 1 point 43 minutes ago

Here’s a list of 289 accomplishments that have been catalogued through the first 20 months. Some major, some minor.

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/washington-secrets/trumps-list-289-accomplishments-in-just-20-months-relentless-promise-keeping

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[–] Normalguy056 1 point 40 minutes ago

I'm a moderate it's hard to have an opinion

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[–] ihml_13 1 point 30 minutes ago

lol the brigade on this thread is unreal

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[–] ChineseJoe90 1 point 7 minutes ago

Reading through these comments, you'd think Trump was a pretty decent president. But then he goes on TV or on Twitter and says some absolutely insane shit...

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[–] poppop_n_theattic 1 point 3 minutes ago

Energized the progressive left. If Hillary had won, I don't think we would be talking about 70% marginal tax rates and wealth taxes etc etc.

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[–] NLFl345 1 point a minute ago

5k Comments and 77% up voted at 2.3k lets me know that there are people out there trying to silence any good Drumpf has done. Sad.

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[–] bicyclemom (deleted by user) 1 point 14 hours ago

Cracking down on H1B Visa abuse.

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[–] magicalnegress 1 point 10 hours ago

I would say withdrawing from NAFTA, but the new deal doesn't appear to be much better for the people we've fucked.

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[–] trzarocks (deleted by user) 1 point 10 hours ago

Looks like they deleted your comment and went with the forum slide to Home Alone 2.

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[–] Cyphinox 1 point 8 hours ago

Generic Comment sourcing facts on why has helped this country

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[–] Cyphinox 1 point 8 hours ago

Downvoted comment saying right wingers are stupid and trump is a retard, also denying facts.

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[–] UrTheologyNeedsWork (deleted by user) 1 point 7 hours ago

He showed how much non-career politicians can accomplish in a short amount of time when you don't give one fuck about what the establishment/never-trumpers think of you. I didn't vote for who was the most intellectual speaker, or most eloquent individual (characteristics liberals keep rangling on about, but don't equate to someone who can get the job done as evidenced by Obama inability to produce *anything* of value), I voted for the man who was *not an insider* and who would *actually produce what he promised*. I voted for America's best interest, not another fucking piece of shit politician.

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[–] SotheBee 1 point 7 hours ago

A comprehensive list of all the good things Donald Trump has done.

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[–] Jncocontrol 1 point 5 hours ago

I'll give him this, he'll do anything for a laugh

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[–] John_Smith18 1 point 4 hours ago

What good hasn't he done is a far more challenging question.

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[–] RoboNinjaPirate 1 point 4 hours ago

"Orange Man Bad, give upvotes"

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[–] PracticalDig 1 point 3 hours ago

"IT WAS OBARMER THUT DID IT!"-By that logic, should we actually be blaming the Founding Fathers for all the US' successes?

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[–] **mikey4111** **1 point** 2 hours ago

SOYBEANS

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[–] **myshinyerectiom** **1 point** an hour ago

Kicked Trans out the mikitary

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[–] **FS_NeZ** **1 point** 35 minutes ago

He made the US to look like a joke in the eyes of almost all European leaders.

Not even the nazis in the Netherlands, Poland and Hungary mention him.

Not sure why this thread here exists. Good things? Trump? That idiot?

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[–] **smellincoffee** **1 point** 4 minutes ago

He's disengaging with Syria and Afghanistan, which may be reckless but I'm glad SOMEONE is willing stop throwing good money after bad.

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[–] **TysonButterbean (deleted by user)** **1 point** 15 hours ago

Domestic Infrastructure

- Proposed infrastructure plan would utilize $200 billion in Federal funds to spur at least $1.5 trillion in infrastructure investment across the country.
- Executive order expediting environmental reviews and approvals for high priority infrastructure projects.
- Federal agencies have signed the One Federal Decision Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) streamlining the federal permitting process for infrastructure projects.
- Rural prosperity task force and signed an executive order to help expand broadband access in rural areas.

Health Care

- Signed an executive order to help minimize the financial burden felt by American households Signed legislation to improve the National Suicide Hotline.
- Signed the most comprehensive childhood cancer legislation ever into law, which will advance childhood cancer research and improve treatments.
- Signed Right-to-Try legislation, expanding health care options for terminally ill patients.
- Enacted changes to the Medicare 340B program, saving seniors an estimated $320 million on drugs in 2018 alone.
- FDA set a new record for generic drug approvals in 2017, saving consumers nearly $9 billion.
- Released a blueprint to drive down drug prices for American patients, leading multiple major drug companies to announce they will freeze or reverse price increases.
- Expanded short-term, limited-duration health plans.
- Let more employers to form Association Health Plans, enabling more small businesses to join together and affordably provide health insurance to their employees.
- Cut Obamacare’s burdensome individual mandate penalty.
- Signed legislation repealing Obamacare’s Independent Payment Advisory Board, also known as the “death panels.”
- USDA invested more than $1 billion in rural health care in 2017, improving access to health care for 2.5 million people in rural communities across 41 states
- Proposed Title X rule to help ensure taxpayers do not fund the abortion industry in violation of the law.
- Reinstated and expanded the Mexico City Policy to keep foreign aid from supporting the global abortion industry.
- HHS formed a new division over protecting the rights of conscience and religious freedom.
- Overturned Obama administration’s midnight regulation prohibiting states from defunding certain abortion facilities.
- Signed executive order to help ensure that religious organizations are not forced to choose between violating their religious beliefs by complying with Obamacare’s contraceptive mandate or shutting their doors.

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[–] **DrPepperlife (deleted by user)** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Doubt he’s had anyone above a 3/10

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[–] **Mak_i_Am** **1 point** 6 hours ago

He has converted a ton of Oxygen into Carbon Dioxide, thereby helping all the plants that live in the White House.

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[–] **fresh_scents** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Hell I dunno. I live overseas.

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[–] **BlackDudeWhiteName** **1 point** 4 hours ago

Not something he did directly but people are more politically aware beware because of him and pay more attention to the government

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[–] **[deleted]** 1 point 3 hours ago

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[–] **Harju (deleted by user)** 1 point 3 hours ago

I think Donald Trumps greatest contribution is that he has educated us on developing and third world country politics. We use to look at countries that had dictators and totalitarians for leaders and whose governments were full of corruption, bribery, nepotism, back room deals and wonder how a country could ever get like that. We would think the people of those countries must lack intelligence and awareness or just be completely apathetic to to let that happen. With Donald Trump we now know how those countries got their start.

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[–] **Br0nichiwa** 1 point 3 hours ago

Not to be a dick, but a lot of these responses have absolutely zero citation or proof.

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[–] **wtfdaemon** 1 point 2 hours ago

1. Accidentally draining the swamp, eventually, by bringing out the most venal, corrupt and racist idiots into the light.
2. Hopefully dealing the death blow to fundamentalist Christianity as a force in our country.

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[–] **howmch41rib** 2 points 2 hours ago

What is fundamentalist christianity vs. christianity?

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[–] **Pumbaathebigpig** 2 points an hour ago

Fundamentalists believe in the literal words of the bible, like everything built in 6 days etc etc. Christianity can describe people who believe in the teachings of Jesus but still believe in sciences and the age of the universe etc etc all the way to the fundamentalists. It's a rainbow man.....

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[–] **howmch41rib** 2 points an hour ago

A spectrum, if you will :p thanks

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[–] **blackday44** 1 point an hour ago

I que up his speeches every friday evening and stuff my face with popcorn watching him spew ridiculous shit.

Best entertainment I've had in a long time.

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[–] **theman3200 (deleted by user)** 1 point an hour ago

I do disagree with trump, but he would be a killer comedian. Id pay to here him make jokes.

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[–] **Weaponized_Puddle (deleted by user)** 1 point an hour ago

Test

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[–] **regulatorE500** 1 point 37 minutes ago

The amount of deleted top comments is disturbing.

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[–] **Lime-Lote** 1 point 52 minutes ago

He inspired a lot of good memes. That's pretty above average.

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[–] **Soldier-one-trick** 1 point 50 minutes ago

I don’t think anyone can say that he is arbitrarily bad. I personally don’t like him as he doesn’t know when to shut his fucking mouth and because he denies climate change but others are entitled to their opinions.

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[–] **OmniscientArmadillo** 1 point 45 minutes ago

Do you even know what the word "arbitrarily" means?

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[–] **Soldier-one-trick** 1 point 43 minutes ago

no, I *did* not

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[–] **Veecy82** 1 point 7 minutes ago

Pushed people from the middle towards the left side.

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[–] danchiri 1 point 6 hours ago

>I received money, so I am correct!

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[–] Yggdrasil159 1 point 11 hours ago

Probably should have put a serious tag on this one...

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[–] crabcheesewonton (deleted by user) 1 point 11 hours ago

Repealed obamacare

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[–] TupacSenpai 1 point 6 hours ago

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[–] HaHaHaHaHaImBack 1 point 19 hours ago

Started cracking down on h1b shenanigans. That having been said, the silver lining does not justify the dark cloud.

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[–] Cessno 1 point 9 hours ago

https://www.reddit.com/r/The_Donald/comments/am2wxl/npcs_are_going_bonkers_over_on_askreddit_because/?st=JRM8W34C&sh=8788494c

This thread is being brigaded pretty heavily. Don't believe the people posting here outright. They are pushing their propaganda

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[–] hyperwolf7 (deleted by user) 1 point 8 hours ago

Very funny, Kanye!

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[–] John_Smith18 1 point 4 hours ago

He woke people up to the corrupt MSM.

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[–] Lakefargo 1 point 4 hours ago

Actually trying to improve relations with North Korea

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[–] lurk1122 1 point 3 hours ago

He does like dictators he wants to be like them

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[–] graciasmatium 1 point 4 hours ago

Trade war with China. While the efficiency of the trade war may be questioned, it no doubt raise up the problem of IP theft and unfair trading practice to the forefront.

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[–] bitchesloverepta r 1 point 4 hours ago

I'm sure no one will read this or they'll take it as a threat to Trump (it is not).

But why do *nothing*, actively nothing, about global warming? Why remove its data from nasa? Whey claim it's a Chinese conspiracy? I mean if the man is honest and smart, wouldn't he *do everything in his enormous power* to prevent this instead of just some glib tweets?

A genuine question, not an attack.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

There's like this sub called askthedonald (there may be underscores) try there

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 4 hours ago

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[–] SpicySatan666 1 point 4 hours ago

Helping our borders

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[–] danielkiwi13 1 point 3 hours ago

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[–] harlottesometimes 0 points 4 hours ago

...stay open

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[–] zubaz69 1 point 3 hours ago

What effects has any of the things posted here had on you,you family or anyone you know?

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[–] CorgiGal89 1 point 2 hours ago

Helping to end the China's ability to send packages to the USA for a lesser cost than what it costs me, in the USA, to ship within my own country! This might sound silly but seriously, a package that costs me $4 to ship from Florida to Alabama would cost $2 for someone from China to send to Alabama. The reason is due to how China has been classified by the UN, still as a 3rd world/developing country, but it's absolutely unfair for my competitors in China to be able to beat me so swiftly on price (usually selling counterfeit goods to boot) just because of how their country is still classified that way by the UN. I'm unhappy about a LOT of stuff Trump related, but the fact that he understands that this is a problem for the American small business is at least a small relief.

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[–] milhouseisa_meme 1 point an hour ago

Actually tried to have a real conversation with North Korea. The summit in Singapore was huge and seriously downplayed by the media, just look at how Jim Acosta treated the whole thing like a joke and tried to botch it

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[–] OmniscientArmadillo 1 point an hour ago

Not surprised to see a lot of awful things interpreted as good, but the most mind-boggling thing to me is people crediting Trump for more political activism.

I don't care about the other legitimate things that have happened. If you believe that tariffs and getting rid of TPP and supporting imperialism in Latin America are great, you're at least entitled to those terrible opinions. But political activism? Really?

Ok, yeah. People care more about politics now. But the reasons are exactly the opposite of good. It's more being concerned with his destructive policies than enthusiasm for democracy. Giving Trump credit for more political awareness is like saying the Vietnam war was good because it sparked more activism and discussion.

Don't get me wrong, I pretty much hate Trump but he's a product of the system that got him his power. This is where capitalism and the corrupt dictatorship of the rich gets us, along with all the bootlickers supporting it.

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[–] panxerox 1 point an hour ago

For original post https://imgur.com/a/kqYwTmc

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[–] NabhanTED 1 point an hour ago

He made relations with North Korea better

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[–] RedRabbit18 1 point 48 minutes ago

I don't support Trump, and I would call my self a libertarian

However, despite what all of the media/news/celebrities say, Trump has done some good things

For example:

- Lowered Taxes
- Pulled out of Syria
- Pulled out of Iran Deal
- Helped push North Korea a few steps in De-Nuclearization
- Taking border security seriously
- Making European countries contribute their share to NATO defence payments
    - Recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital and move the US embassy there
- Helped many people get into politics and show the corruption in Washington DC

But best of all, he prevented Hillary Clinton from becoming president

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[–] milhouseisa_meme 1 point an hour ago

Man was out there on ground zero the second day after the 9/11 attacks doing the best he can to help his hometown. He paid hundreds of men to search for survivors in the rubble then paid more to help rebuilding efforts. He loves America, the Russian thing is such a slap in the face

https://youtu.be/V4ZfXOil1pk

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[–] 66903972 1 point 41 minutes ago

What other purpose, specifically within the context of debate, would one query a source other than to seek this tempting, yet fallacious, position?

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[–] Tauva101 1 point 15 minutes ago

Well now Boris Johnson's hair looks normal

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[–] GreyInkling 0 points 8 hours ago

I don't have anything not already said, but I want to add that even Nixon did some things right. He did end the war in Vietnam like he said he would, however he didn't want to be a president who lost a war so he bombed the hell out of them for a couple years so he could say he did all he could before pulling out.

He might have been a crook but only a crook would have played china and the USSR against each other in order to bridge relationships with both.

Most positives of trump will be things we'll see in retrospect as a result of aspects of his character that are not at all positive.

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[–] DLS3141 0 points 6 hours ago

Space Farce ... Force.

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[–] VERY_STABLE_DRAGON 0 points 6 hours ago

He helped expose the fact that William Jefferson Clinton has in fact committed violent sexual crimes.

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[–] bubblegummustard 0 points 3 hours ago

Taken attention away from the retardation of Brexit

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[–] [deleted] 0 points an hour ago

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[–] stripmallbars 0 points an hour ago

Yea I kinda suck at Reddit.

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[–] therealmyself (deleted by user) 0 points 13 hours ago

I am not American so don't really care so much about domestic policies. He seems less keen than recent presidents to invade, or regime change other countries. I may not like Trump but for this reason alone I am glad Clinton didn't get in.

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[–] HenriVolney 0 points 6 hours ago

What have you done?

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[–] pitagrape (deleted by user) 0 points 10 hours ago

Drain the swamp. No really. Indulge me for a minute: imagine 'crooked Hilary' won with the Republican controlled House and Senate.

Congress would have squashed the Mueller investigation ASAP while also starting an endless cycle of email server/Benghazi gate +whatever else hearings could drag good ol' Hillary through the mud. The Russian propaganda machine likely would have remained hidden and still operational too.

By Trump being elected every thread matters - every Russian connection, every effort to illegally alter the election, every shady business deal/shady lawyer, etc. With any luck in the end anyone associated with this Manchurian candidate will be tainted - untouchable in politics - draining the swamp even further (or, making room for new swamp creatures)

By Trump becoming president, all of these people will be exposed and rightfully flushed out of politics (or so we hope). Trump is draining the swamp. Just not the way he expected.

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[–] OldAngryWhiteMan 0 points an hour ago

He became the last millionaire to be in the White House. He brought voter rights, women rights, veterans, people of color, the old, the infirmed into the limelight.

He also set up the banning of dog crates for use with children of color.

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[–] BananaCupcak3 0 points an hour ago

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[–] **TucsonCat** **0 points** 5 hours ago

Directly? Not much that can't be attributed to lawmakers around him.

Indirectly? I'd actually say a ton. He was a wake up call for a large swathe of Americans.

I won't say Trump is "incompetent", I would just say he's not used to being called out on his bullshit, and being surrounded by yes-men his entire life. Imagine for a moment, if we got someone who was actually trying to hide their shittiness from us. Someone who didn't get caught up talking to Russian spies because they were actually well-versed in how to hide their tracks? We'd be fucked.

But on to the good he's done - I think that whoever takes over in 2020, we're going to see a solid push for checks on the executive branch. Like, massive checks. Checks that make that little conservative voice buried under years and years of socialist exterior go "yaaaay! decentralized government!"

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[–] **popepoppa** **0 points** 4 hours ago

If you want your 'representatives' to represent Russians, instead of you, vote Republican.

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[–] **lurk1122** **0 points** 3 hours ago

That is the truth

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[–] **NeonLightsSRS** **0 points** an hour ago

The unemployment rate of the U.S has dropped to roughly 4%, as of January 2019. The previous unemployment rates during the presidency of Obama and Bush were sometimes as high at 10%

There are more jobs available now than have been in decades in the U.S

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[–] **BxLorien** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

Trump's presidency has been like an LED light on the constitution and American politics. Revealing things we didn't even know about the law until now. We've never before had a president that caused so many issues in office before, and we were unprepared to handle it. For example; when it comes to revealing his taxes. Every president before has made them public without any issue. Trump refused to do so. When looking closer into the laws it was revealed that he technically doesn't have to. But we've never before had someone in office that so blatantly opposed standard procedures and throw such a tantrum about it.

I'm expecting this and many other laws that he's taken advantage of to be corrected when his term is over.

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[–] **Techiastronamo** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

So much brigading this is actually hilarious

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[–] **UnMysTIcREDDIT** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

nothing

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[–] **UnrulyPeasant** **-1 points** 3 hours ago

ITT:

"Orange man has done good things" *provides organized list of facts*

"No, orange man bad" *downvotes*

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[–] **obiwangrievous** **-1 points** 3 hours ago

He have provided late night shows with content, especially Jimmy Kimmel and other talk show hosts.

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[–] **RuffLuck** **-1 points** 3 hours ago

I think him making everyone take more interests in politics. Like before we saw Obama and everyone else and thought yeah they are capable and ignore it. But with Trump everyone is watching and more people are voting because they see that their vote matters. It got us into this situation. We can get ourselves out.

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[–] **stevesword** **-1 points** an hour ago

IMO Trump is to be thanked for the success of the me too movement. Those pioneers had to have said 'Now there's one in the Whitehouse..enough is enough." All of the recent progressive successes are the result of the contrary learning curve Trump has thrust upon us. Most people prefer to react to bad examples rather than follow good ones.

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[–] **CitationX_N7V11C** **-1 points** 12 hours ago

Wasn't terrified of infrastructure projects that aren't high sped trains or highways that can be kickbacks to his donors.

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[–] **accountformybras** **-1 points** 11 hours ago

Helped awaken a new sense of civic engagement and urgency.

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[–] **bobqjones** **-1 points** 11 hours ago

he's gotten a hell of a lot of people to start paying attention to politics.

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[–] **ctrlcutcopy** **-1 points** 10 hours ago

I have to say he did get people to be more politically active and involved with not just the government but local community and issues

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[–] **allodermate** **-1 points** 9 hours ago

Brought much needed attention across all ages, political affiliations, and the world, into US political operations (running the gamut)

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[–] **RacerX1994** **-1 points** 9 hours ago

Made the attempts to call Mitt Romney out of touch or a misogynist for saying binders full of women laughable. Same with McCain to a lesser extent.

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[–] **pquinlan1993** **2 points** 6 hours ago

My favorite is “The 1980s called, they want their foreign policy back”

Now they won’t stop talking about Russia

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[–] **grollef** **-1 points** 6 hours ago

He has made me appreciate the importance of elections.

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[–] **kinjinsan** **1 point** 3 hours ago

I know! Thank God we voted despite the polls telling us not to bother!

We were thisclose to having President Hillary!

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[–] **kellydalton** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

He has shown me that you actually can be anything you want in life just like my elementary school teachers used to say to us all. I believed that to be total bullshit as an adult until the day this guy was elected "Leader of the Free World". If someone that fucking dumb and corrupt can be the president of the United States of America then we all can truly be whatever we want.

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[–] **graytshirts** **-1 points** 8 hours ago

Will there ever be a serious response to such a ludicrous question?

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[–] **PM_ME_YOURCOMPLAINTS** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

He dispelled the illusion of the American President as the equal to Congress, if only because so many hate him.

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[–] **stpauler** **-1 points** 13 hours ago

Seriously? He has helped keep the press solvent. I'm not sure where the news media would have gone if Clinton would have won.

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[–] **hazelnutcream** **-1 points** 6 hours ago

His presidency has reminded academics of their roles as public intellectuals with the responsibility of sharing their research or knowledge with the broader public in an accessible way. For example, historians speaking out about the history of race relations, scientists speaking out about the climate change report, etc.

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[–] **DragonLady575** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

I have nothing to say. Apart from being the number one cosplayer of a Furry Puss Caterpillar

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[–] **Cyrakhis** **-1 points** 4 hours ago

Nothing. Get hit by lightning already.

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[–] **yeway** **-1 points** 4 hours ago

nothing drumpf bad

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** **-1 points** 2 hours ago

This thread is getting brigaded HARD by T_D.

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[–] **SexyRickSandM** **1 point** 2 hours ago

Poor baby, you cant take facts that contradict what Rachel Maddow tells you?

Open your mind and see the evidence, you simple dolt. You're the leftist version of the worst of the trump cult. Extremism is wrong on both sides.

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[–] **howmch41rib** **-1 points** 2 hours ago

1 day old account that couldn't come across more like a stereotype. From one real T_D user to a Bot: please stahp.

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** **-1 points** 2 hours ago

who the fuck is Rachel Maddow?

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[–] **howmch41rib** **1 point** 2 hours ago

"Brigaded" seems harsh. Personally, i was just curious (hoped) to see if any intelligent/civil exchanges of ideas were taking place.

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[–] **nuclearfarts99** **-2 points** an hour ago

I mean, like 90% of the replies are just kissing Trump's ass and hating on liberals with no sources.

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[–] **howmch41rib** **1 point** an hour ago

Huh, well im like 40 comments in and quickly running out of steam (read:blosing interest) so i cant confirm that 90% but its the internet so i wouldn't be surprised lol

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[–] **Jack-A-Roe33** **-1 points** 13 hours ago

Ivanka

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[–] **Rule_1_No_Bullfuck** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

I've been downvoted for saying this because people know it's true. Trump should create a free-speech-based social media network operated openly by the government. Call it "Trump'd".

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[–] **Purpellent** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

None

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[–] **Warro03** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

Hmm, I don’t support Trump not H Clinton. Why? They both had super good ideas and super bad ideas.

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[–] **fuckoff9898** **-1 points** 5 hours ago

Completely failing at getting his bullshit wall funded. He already wastes enough money playing fucking golf and getting paid for sitting on his ass watching fox news and ranting on twitter.

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[–] **the_aarong** **0 points** 4 hours ago

To be fair, Obama played much more golf and been on many more boondoggles in his presidency than Trump, currently.

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[–] **harlottesometimes** **2 points** 3 hours ago

Source?

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[–] **fuckoff9898** **1 point** 12 minutes ago

His source is non-existent, just like Trumps work ethic.

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[–] **Shaddy_the_guy** **-2 points** 17 hours ago

This isn't necessarily a trade-off for the unequivocally-poor decisions that have been made by him and his administration regardless, but as much as I hate the current toxic political climate, people are on *way* higher alert about basically everything and paying more attention to certain issues than they ever were before. Feeling like everything is just "okay" with less-insane people in-office actually probably did more harm than good. Like, those white supremacists aren't new, you were just looking the other direction before.

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[–] SleepyDogSix -2 points 17 hours ago

Shaved Vince McMahon's hair.

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[–] shinifox -2 points 11 hours ago

Made us forget about Tan Mom

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[–] Paravellex (deleted by user) -2 points 8 hours ago

He's the best damn fundraiser the Democratic Party's ever had!

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[–] TyroneShoelaces69 -2 points 4 hours ago

None.

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[–] kbradero -2 points an hour ago

let us know anyone can be president.

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[–] OmniscientArmadillo 1 point 40 minutes ago

As long as they.... lose the popular vote?

Seems very democratic

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[–] aheadwarp9 -2 points 5 hours ago

He exposed a lot of the racists living around the country... So now we know who else to avoid.

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[–] Ramsestheeternal -2 points 3 hours ago

Woke people to to how racist the country actually still is and woke people up to pay attention to politics

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[–] suck_my_sock -2 points 2 hours ago

Turned the house blue

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[–] Iyion -2 points 11 hours ago

He and Brexit contributed to the EU being a lot more united than they were in 2016.

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[–] Aconserva3 0 points 10 hours ago

What? Have you not being paying attention to European politics in the last 3 years? About France, Poland, Hungary, etc.? 2016 was right after the migrant crisis as well, so I don't think it's a fair point of comparison either.

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[–] Iyion 1 point 9 hours ago

Yes I did, I'm European

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[–] Aconserva3 1 point 2 hours ago

And you think what's going on has

1. Made Europe more united
2. That 2016 is a fair reference point for the EU's stability/unity.

While I think it's less unified then 2016, you could argue it isn't, but it's definitely less unified then 2009.

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[–] TheJadedSF -2 points 8 hours ago

I hear some support for the criminal prison reform he's behind. Other than that - probably nothing.

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[–] xyxyxyxyxyxyxyxyxyxy -2 points 2 hours ago

He's gotten a lot of democrats elected.

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[–] perlandbeer -2 points 2 hours ago

He made America grate again.

Just kidding.

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[–] Funandgeeky -2 points 12 hours ago

He’s disabused many people of the apathy of nonvoting.

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[–] Ron_Fuckin_Swanson -2 points 8 hours ago

He's helped energize an entire generation of young people into paying attention to politics and making their voices heard

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[–] JakeFromImgur -2 points 7 hours ago

Greater political awareness by the average American. That's about the only thing.

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[–] Illnessofthenight -2 points 7 hours ago

Made me feel better about myself

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[–] inkseep1 -2 points 3 hours ago

He helped the soybean farmers. Not US soybean farmers but I am sure the farmers he helped appreciate it.

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[–] orbit_o -2 points 2 hours ago

leaving

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[–] GAMINGTROOPERYT -3 points 11 hours ago

(Insert something here)

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[–] Moleman-NineThousand -3 points 9 hours ago

Helping teach Ebenezer Scrooge about the meaning of Christmas

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[–] Torpid-O -3 points 19 hours ago

Hahahaha!!!

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[–] Naarfus -3 points 13 hours ago

he has been hella entertaining for most outside the us

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[–] Avbitten -3 points 7 hours ago

he made young people politically active.

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[–] thorpac -3 points 5 hours ago

None. He's a literal waste of space.

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[–] the_aarong 1 point 4 hours ago

Real valuable insight here

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[–] thorpac -1 points 4 hours ago

Go fuck yourself.

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[–] the_aarong 3 points 4 hours ago

Hahaha. Always keeping it classy...

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[–] BoozeoisPig -3 points 2 hours ago

To reflect on /u/Tysonbutterbean's comment a bit:

Economy:

Since the election economic growth exploded, peaked in Q3-4 of 2018, and has since crashed a great deal, then come back a little. Since his election, The S&P 500 grew from 2,365.38 to 2,704.01, a roughly 12.5% increase between 2/21/17, his inauguration, until 1/20/19 yesterday. The S&P 500 grew from 2,104.42 on 3/23/15, to 2,365.38 on 2/21/17, a 12.4% increase. And if you fiddle with the arbitrary dates a little, it can change in favor or against either president. But those two ranges are within a day of being as long as each

other. Suffice it to say: The economy has, in essence, continued the growth trends that were prevalent over the same amount of time in Obamas closing years in Trumps opening years.

Jobs:

This is actually not necessarily a good thing. Jobs should never be thought of an end in and of themselves, but merely as a potential means to the end of creating the span of goods and services that make life as happy as possible for as many people. Are jobs becoming more inefficient at achieving that goal because we are creating and shoving more people into shittier and shittier occupations? I don't know, but that seems to be a common trend throughout contemporary history. The end goal of society should be realized to be that work, eventually, should not be compulsory, because so much of the economy should eventually be automated that we don't even need to work that much anymore, and the work that we do do should only be done out of actualizing more ideal utility. The true usefulness of these jobs will be seen if and when the next recession happens, because a lot of those jobs could be in making things that are not actually making people much happier but that temporary market failures are causing to employ those people and that, when the market forces it to correct itself, will cause a lot more unemployment. Which, reflecting on what I am saying, should be able to be a good thing. If the market discovers it was actually wasting peoples time, people should be happy to have more leisure time because what they were doing before was not useful, rather than miserable that they don't have someone to order them around anymore.

Border Security and Immigration:

Fuck you, you asshole, immigrants should be better helped to become U.S. Citizens to make this country even better. If you think that the geographic location of where you came out of your mom's vagina should mean more than suffering horrible migrations to get to this country in order to get a better life, you can suck a dick.

Regarding drug arrests: Fuck that shit, this is just part of a war on drugs that needs to fucking end. All drugs should be made legal, and the safest possible standards that the use of any drug could have at the recreational level need to be elucidated and legislated into the manufacture and dosing of the drug.

This would probably reduce OD deaths massively, just like it did in Portugal when they ramped up free testing and better access to education on how to use these drugs as safely as possible. It would also reduce traumatic drug war related consiquences: dealers would no longer kill eachother. Dealers and users would both no longer be persecuted and have their capabilities as human beings diminished by having the government lock them up and hurt their social standing with a criminal conviction.

Energy:

Fuck off, coal and oil are garbage that is both causing trillions of dollars in damage around the world in increased intensity of certain natural disasters. Coal burning alone kills at least 7,000 people a year in decreased mortality because of what the particulates do to people who come into contact with them. Keep it in the ground.

There are some seemingly good things in there, but this is about perspective. The real hard political differences come down to policies and interpreting the consequences of those policies. Is there dumb tribalism involved? Sure, there's that in everything. But there actually are real political differences that not only are dividing Americans, but should divide Americans, because people actually have mutually exclusive philosophies around how they interpret what good and bad consequences are.

I think the fact that Donald Trump helped move the capital of Israel to Jerusalem was fucking gross, he thinks that that is a good thing. I think that the increase in military spending is fucking gross, he thinks that that is a good thing. I would think these things are gross whether a Republican or Democrat did them. If I am to assume good faith from /u/Tysonbutterbean, he would also think that those things are a good thing whether or not a Democrat or Republican did them. As far as parties go, I think that The Democratic Party is the most useful tool to utilize to help me accomplish these goals, while he probably thinks that The Republican Party is the most useful tool to help accomplish his goals.

But, in the end, this is the essence of politics: what you think is good, other people think is bad, so you fight eachother over what you want. The Electoral Process turns that fight from one of bullets to one of ballots, in a lot of ways, with people who feel that their issues are urgent enough going beyond ballots and using bullets, or, at least, some form of extralegal force.

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[–] **howmch41rib 2 points** 2 hours ago

Last 2 sentences are gold. Too many "fuckings" (sounds emotional and lazy). "the goal of work is that we stop working" Bernie Bro spotted. Meh, ill rate it: underemployed-overprivilaged/10.

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[–] **dragonmeansgay -3 points** 2 hours ago

Nothing

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[–] **Wajirock -3 points** 10 hours ago

Voter turnout is higher than ever now.

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[–] **TheLesserWombat -3 points** 10 hours ago

He was a character in both Bloom County *and* Doonesbury, so that's something I guess.

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[–] **Oda_nicullah -3 points** 9 hours ago

Whether you hate him, love him, or are in different his election did, without a doubt don2 positive things.

1. Brought political conversations back to the forefront of importance. We are all talking about every move he makes. This has NEVER been done before to this degree.
2. Reminded the American people that their vote counts. GET OUT AND VOTE. Seemingly every publication predicted that Hillary would win by a landslide. But voters showed up. Voters acted their vote. And the impossible was made possible.

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[–] ami2weird4u -3 points 7 hours ago

He hasn't made a Reddit account yet so that's good..

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[–] DeplorableOhio 2 points 6 hours ago

Fake news.

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[–] daisy-chain-of-doom -3 points 5 hours ago

Rest of the world no longer takes the USA as the golden standard of democracy and all that is good. Breaking that cultural hegemony has been useful.

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[–] Nero_Wolff -3 points 18 hours ago

Memes.

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[–] the_mayonnaise_spoon -3 points 12 hours ago

He's really helped the credibility of the Democratic party

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[–] AmpRDT (deleted by user) -3 points 9 hours ago

As a British person who doesn't know much about American politics. Doesn't look like a lot to me

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[–] redditstok 2 points 7 hours ago

beat it britbong. Why don't you go fuck the Big Ben or sumtin. Tsss

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[–] Flincher14 -3 points 9 hours ago

He filled the swamp with more creatures so it would be easier to see the corruption.

He gave a big tax cut to billionaires and a modest one to the middle class which happens to expire just as a Democratic president will be in office to take the blame for raising taxes.

He lifted the veil on racism by being openly racist so now we can address it.

He advocated taking peoples guns and doing due process after the fact. Good to see a Republican president brave enough to be anti gun.

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[–] dtechnology -3 points 9 hours ago

Sort by controversial. Read the "discussions". Weep for humanity.

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[–] grendus -3 points 8 hours ago

I have a feeling voter turnout will be a lot higher next election...

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[–] Phidelus (deleted by user) -3 points 7 hours ago

He inspired the millenial generation to vote. If shit wasn't getting stirred up and the situation was not increasingly dire, young voter turnout would not be so high.

If some rando mild centrist republican got elected, celebrities would not be hounding the public to vote.

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[–] MattAlex99 -4 points 7 hours ago

To be honest, the best he's done is raise awareness for politics.
People around the world are more interested in policy and elections than they have been in a long time if you want concrete numbers, just look at the voter turnout spike for the midterms and compare it with the previous years.

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[–] egrith -4 points 10 hours ago

Why is everyone saying moving the Israel embassy to Jerusalem? It's is only half in Israel, and is spitting in the face of Palestine

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[–] Scribb74 -4 points 10 hours ago

Proved once and for all, that NO One can rock a comb over.

(or whatever that construction is on his head)

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[–] sphinctroid (deleted by user) -4 points 10 hours ago

He put the hypocrisy of Christian voters right in our laps, and no excuses can be manufactured to account for what they did. It condemns their faiths as individuals, and the integrity of the religion as a whole.

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[–] crimsonpowder 2 points 8 hours ago

Can you explain this more? I'm not following.

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[–] littleirishmaid -1 points 8 hours ago

What did they do?

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[–] Asexual_Programmer -4 points 9 hours ago

I don't know anything good, but his biggest failure is failing to be casted in the Simpsons cause he was too orange

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[–] CRSTF -4 points 7 hours ago

He constantly gives monologue material to US late night chat show hosts, Every night!

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[–] laguna88 -4 points 7 hours ago

He reminds me of donald duck

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[–] POST_NO_COMMENTS -4 points 5 hours ago

Destroyed any credibility the Republican Party has left.

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[–] levi_c1 1 point 4 hours ago

...like?

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[–] AvocadoIceCreamTB12 -4 points 9 hours ago

ILLEGALLY

dude, this is the way the world works. Are you American?

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[–] AlterNebula -4 points 10 hours ago

Help

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[–] Linux4ever_Leo -4 points 12 hours ago

He helped revive Alec Baldwin's media profile.

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[–] patientbearr -4 points 6 hours ago

Holy fuck, this thread is some of the worst brigading I've ever seen.

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[–] hakkia -4 points 4 hours ago

This irritates the crap out of me. 90% of the "good" things that are being posted are about political dealing that was done before his administration that's taking effect now or was a bill that again was in the works before he took office and signed because he was told to by Mitch McConnel. These kinds of questions are dangerous because it breeds misinformation.

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[–] mtodd88 -5 points 10 hours ago

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[–] Codoro -5 points 10 hours ago

It's proved that we totally live in the joke timeline.

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[–] mysticalfruit -5 points 11 hours ago

As someone who works elections, I have never seen this level of engagement and eagerness to vote, I find this fantastic.

Everything else is an unmitigated disaster.

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[–] StockAL3Xj -5 points 7 hours ago

This thread is very obviously being brigaded by Trump supporters. Even people simply asking for sources on claims are getting downvotes to shit.

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[–] **kinjinsan 0 points** 3 hours ago

Read through the whole thread, there are abundant, legitimate sources provided. Sorry, but the usual internet comeback of "Source?" doesn't cut it here.

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[–] **Roseandwolf -5 points** 8 hours ago

I voted for the first time because i saw how much of a disaster this guy is and it helped me become political aware.

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[–] **SmoteySmote 2 points** 6 hours ago

You are completely unaware.

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[–] **IM_INSIDE_YOUR_HOUSE -5 points** 8 hours ago

He shined a giant glowing light on all the shit wrong in our political system that would allow a literal illiterate racist Russian asset to become president of the United States.

It's like when you successfully diagnose a terminal illness after hunting symptoms forever. Yeah, the body is probably still going to die, but at least now you know *why*.

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[–] **Pizzachu221 -5 points** 10 hours ago

He's given us Hamberders and Covfefe

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[–] **mquon775 -5 points** 10 hours ago

Sits back and grabs a massive thing of popcorn

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[–] **DemonLordDiablos -5 points** 6 hours ago

He dodged the draft, which is probably the only thing I like about him.

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[–] **pgivens13 -5 points** 3 hours ago

Made people who are reprehensible human beings declare themselves by their allegiance to him. That is to say. Several of his policies are decent steps in improving certain aspects of the country, however the man himself and his administration are morally bankrupt, proudly and beligerantly so, openly screwing the base that got them their spot , and promising to continue.

What this means is, we have learned who wishes to think , and who wishes to hero worship, and we have learned who doesn't actually care about their fellow citizens and human beings as much as they care about finally feeling like they won. If you agree with some of his policies and actions , that's fine and I support the reasonable approval of reasonable actions. However, if you support Trump the man and have anything but contempt for what he is as a human being and what it does to our international interests and image to be led by such, you yourself are depraved.

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[–] **MrEpicGamerMan -5 points** 2 hours ago

He made memes for non Americans and Americans to laugh at because of his stupidity

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[–] **bloatedkat -5 points** 8 hours ago

Given late night TV writers a lot of content and job security.

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[–] **DemNoel -6 points** 10 hours ago

Nothing

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[–] **caffeinatedbi -6 points** 9 hours ago

He keeps the spray tan industry afloat

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[–] **vegamite_mate -6 points** 8 hours ago

He certainly made America entertaining again.

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[–] **Symml -6 points** 8 hours ago

None.

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[–] jackbdick -6 points 3 hours ago

So, here's a good look at why all these MAGA posts are dishonest:

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.nytimes.com/2018/09/09/us/politics/trump-obama-economy.amp.html

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.nbcnews.com/news/amp/ncna908286

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.forbes.com/sites/chuckjones/2018/10/30/two-charts-show-trumps-job-gains-are-just-a-continuation-from-obamas-presidency/amp/

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.politico.com/amp/story/2018/11/02/obama-trump-economy-republicans-959046

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[–] Slinginthemeat 3 points 3 hours ago

Haha! Not a single real statistic in any of these articles, just "Obama did it!". What a joke.

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 2 hours ago

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[–] ChoppedGoat -6 points 18 hours ago

He seems to provide a huge amount of material for people to remix...
Placeboing has a few awesome mixes atm

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[–] CatchFactory -6 points 9 hours ago

Don't mind me, I just have come from the sharing fetish subreddit trying to kill my work boner

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[–] HotRoger -6 points 7 hours ago

ITT: Bunch of pede-os who left their containment unit

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[–] SisterAimee -7 points 19 hours ago

Has (though in competently) provided an alternative to the interventionist US foreign policy that had been purchased and implemented by Boeing and friends.

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[–] Regl_b 5 points 6 hours ago

Hell yeah. Fuck the military industrial complex.

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[–] MrMushyagi 1 point 3 hours ago

>Hell yeah. Fuck the military industrial complex.

I agree with your sentiment, but they're still doing fine...US military budget keeps growing.

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[–] MrMushyagi 1 point 3 hours ago

Hasn't stopped the military budget from continuing to balloon.

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[–] dblake123 -7 points 7 hours ago

Exposed the republican party for who they really are.

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[–] hap_hap_happy_feelz 10 points 7 hours ago

Democratic party as well.

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[–] GreyInkling -7 points 8 hours ago

There's some obvious rading going on here and voting bots. Mass upvotes for posts by supoorters and large but not as massive numbers of downvotes to anyone that corrects or contradicts them.

You guys are so transparent.

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[–] SupremeGentleman7 10 points 7 hours ago

Sounds like people just disagree with you. That happens sometimes. I think you're accustomed to being surrounded by people that agree with you.

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[–] hap_hap_happy_feelz 4 points 7 hours ago

Soooo...it's like r/politics in here?

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[–] **svrncitzndad4christ** **-7 points** 8 hours ago

Laid bare the price of apathy and the awfulness of the GOP.

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[–] **channel_12** **-7 points** 5 hours ago

He's exposed the republicans as the total cunts that they are.

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[–] **Who-Dey88** **-7 points** 10 hours ago

Nothing

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[–] **cadatoiva** **-7 points** 8 hours ago

https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.washingtonexaminer.com/washington-secrets/trumps-list-289-accomplishments-in-just-20-months-relentless-promise-keeping%3f_amp=true

u/TysonButterbean just copy pasted this link verbatim.

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **11 points** 8 hours ago

In the context of a thread in which the top voted comment is regarding his appearance in Home Alone 2 (in the eternal words of Hillary Clinton), 'What difference, at this point, does it make?'

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[–] **cadatoiva** **-5 points** 8 hours ago

Considering 25% the "his" achievements, aren't even his, and another 50% are negative government intrusions, not positive achievements (what the OP says looking for), and most had better alternatives worth achieving, I'm not surprised.

I just prefer citing sources and dislike plagiarism, the whole reason why I commented on the first place.

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[–] **PirateDaveZOMG** **7 points** 8 hours ago

So you're conceding then that there are at least 72 positive accomplishments (25% of 289) Trump has?

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[–] **cadatoiva** **-5 points** 8 hours ago

Yes, within that massive list, there are some actual good ones that he actually did. BTW, it's hard to concede something you never claimed wasn't true in the first place.

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[–] **PirateDaveZOMG** **1 point** 8 hours ago

You did make a claim, that claim being that:

> 25% the "his" achievements, aren't even his, and another 50% are negative government intrusions

This is not a statement of fact, it is a claim, therefore it would be appropriate to asking if you're conceding that the "percentage" of accomplishments you're not referring to are considered positive within your previous claim, thus making it a new part of your claim (that 25% of that list are positive accomplishments for Trump). Did I really need to explain that to you, or were you so petty you just wanted to be argumentative and poorly understood what you were arguing?

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[–] **cadatoiva** **-1 points** 8 hours ago

A claim that doesn't even begin to imply "there are exactly zero positive trump achievements" so I cannot, by definition, "concede" (admit that something is true or valid after first denying or resisting it) your point that there are "at least 72."

I understood perfectly what I was trying to argue,. The question is, with your wall of frantically typed text that belongs in r/whoosh, did you?

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[–] **redditstok** **1 point** 7 hours ago

Just admit that u got owned, libtard.

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[–] **cadatoiva** **1 point** 6 hours ago

Sure, I got owned.

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[–] **Deadeye_Spider** **-7 points** 7 hours ago

Kept the seat warm for the next guy.

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[–] **JJChowning** **-8 points** 9 hours ago

He revealed a lot of hypocrisy.

Who would have thought 8 years ago that the right would swerve pro-Russia, and the left would swerve anti-Russia?

Who would have thought the Evangelical right would support a man like Trump?

Who would have thought the right would defend anti free trade measures?

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[–] **spazmcgee1 (deleted by user) -8 points** 11 hours ago

He made me realize that it's impossible to underestimate someone

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[–] **xxchar69xx -8 points** 6 hours ago

He showed up that TV personality's don't make good presidents

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[–] **Mikos_Enduro 0 points** 5 hours ago

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[–] **Cyclonitron -8 points** 12 hours ago

Not a single goddamn thing. He gets zero credit from me.

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[–] **Geperdy (deleted by user) -8 points** 8 hours ago

Set an example of what not to do

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[–] **itshonestwork -8 points** 13 hours ago

Hopefully taught a generation a lesson without it turning into a deadly shitfest like when other psycho-fruitcakes have been in charge.

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[–] **NoiseMarine -8 points** 10 hours ago

He brought all the criminals together under one roof so we knew who to prosecute.

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[–] **onlythetoast -9 points** 12 hours ago

He's shown the world the ANYONE can be President of the United States. It doesn't matter what you've said, what you've done, or how much of an asshole you are. Because of the electoral college, literally anyone with a little luck can be leader of the Free world.

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[–] **blackorwhiteorgrey 0 points** 10 hours ago

>He's shown the world the ANYONE can be President of the United States.

As long as they are billionaires.

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[–] **Cessno -9 points** 11 hours ago

Pardoning Jack Johnson was pretty cool. Besides that he’s pretty much been the worst president we’ve had.

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[–] **red_beered 4 points** 6 hours ago

Oooh I love his music

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[–] **PunchBeard -9 points** 8 hours ago

He made Richard Nixon and both Bush's look way less terrible than they actually were. So it's pretty nice if you're a Bush or a Nixon I guess.

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[–] **EricJrSrIV -9 points** 12 hours ago

Zero

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[–] **zubaz69 (deleted by user) -9 points** 18 hours ago

I don't know about an else but I feel a hell of a lot smarter.

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[–] **bigmeetch1904 24 points** 9 hours ago

Ye man, I bet you are way smarter than billionare business mogul turned president Donald Trump.

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[–] **llamallama-dingdong -1 points** 7 hours ago

I’m smart enough to double check the spelling of words before I hit send when posting where millions can see what I wrote.

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[–] **Regl_b** 6 points 6 hours ago

Let's say he is not a smart man, but he was still able to achieve all that he has. If you ARE a smart man, shouldn't you be able to achieve much more?

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[–] **llamallama-dingdong** 0 points 6 hours ago

If I had been born into his family there's no telling what I could have accomplished with those resources. As is I was born into a family that dumpster dove for food and now pull a six figure income while playing on Reddit all day.

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[–] **Regl_b** 6 points 5 hours ago

Congratulations on your success.

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[–] **llamallama-dingdong** 1 point 4 hours ago

Thank you. Hope life is successful for you as well.

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[–] **bigmeetch1904** 4 points 7 hours ago

No you are right I agree, you are smarter than him.

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[–] **A-Z-1-3** 1 point 2 hours ago

Lol so he's dumb because of typos

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[–] **llamallama-dingdong** 1 point 30 minutes ago

Nope, he's dumb for not proofreading before posting.

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[–] **zubaz69** -14 points 7 hours ago

At least I'm not a lying criminal traitor

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[–] **bigmeetch1904** 3 points 7 hours ago

I don't see how one has to do with the other but obviously I'm not as smart as you so hopefully you can explain

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[–] **AmRashNotAWhore** -9 points 15 hours ago

He alone has kept sun tanning salons in business

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[–] **cnh2n2homosapien** -10 points 15 hours ago

United our adversaries, and our allies.

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[–] **TJ_Deckerson** 9 points 10 hours ago

Like who? Russia and China are at odds. North Korea has a rocky relationship with China. The EU is teetering on the brink as individuals countries wake up and want that stable US trade. Saudi Arabia is working with Israel.

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[–] **FailureToReport** -15 points 15 hours ago

And both against us, yey, we did it, Made America Great Again!

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[–] **mlvsrz** -10 points 16 hours ago

Dave Chapelle was right when he said Donald Trump is this generations Emmett still, he's made us understand what rock bottom is and that we have to do better.

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[–] **Jovenasoo** -10 points 8 hours ago

Alot of "the Economy" comments here... just THE ECONOMY lol dont know what you are talking about. Tax cuts for the Rich sure, private jets are now tax write offs.

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[–] **oif3gunner** 12 points 8 hours ago

Every single person I know has gotten more in their paycheck after the tax cuts you outright fucking liar.

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[–] **Jovenasoo** -7 points 7 hours ago

Every single person you know is lying to you.

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[–] oif3gunner 9 points 6 hours ago

Yeah, I must be lying to myself and my coworkers are liars too. Only leftists know the truth about MY paycheck.

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[–] PalookavilleOnlinePR 6 points 6 hours ago

straight up. my paycheck is definitely going farther, and my work now offers the insurance i couldn't afford to have forced on me by the government.

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[–] _WilkyWay 5 points 6 hours ago

I got like $50-60 more in my paycheck in my service job. Doesnt sound like a whole lot, but that's a couple days worth of food, a dinner date with my gf, or hell the price of a video game if I wanted to kick back. That's also like an extra 200 a month. And this was at a time I was thinking about picking up a weekend job for a few extra bucks.

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[–] Regl_b -1 points 5 hours ago

Does every person you know think you're an idiot too?

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[–] Jovenasoo -2 points 5 hours ago

Oh my bad, I was also joking at the assumption that he even asked his friends. I mean to say that he is just straight up lying on his own. Good luck idiot!

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[–] Regl_b 1 point 5 hours ago

So you call me an idiot for not typing what you meant to say. Interesting...

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[–] SamaritanPrime -10 points 10 hours ago

Just about anything President Trump has done is subjective. Some will see a particular action taken as a good thing- others will see that same action as a terrible idea.

This question is basically pointless.

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[–] Larry2Thumbs -11 points 19 hours ago

Loaded question of the day...Lets see how that pans out for you...

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[–] poker_girl 6 points 19 hours ago

That's a bold strategy, Cotton…

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[–] Miknarf 1 point 11 hours ago

So what do you think the term "loaded question" means? It doesn't seem like you know.

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[–] Larry2Thumbs 0 points 8 hours ago

Loaded Question: No matter the answer, you'll get shit for it on the internet. That's what I meant by this comment.

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[–] Miknarf 1 point 5 hours ago

Ok. Really, that's not what loaded question means.

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[–] Larry2Thumbs 1 point 5 hours ago

A loaded question or complex question fallacy is a question that contains a controversial or unjustified assumption (e.g., a presumption of guilt)

This is the definition of a loaded question. Can you honestly say that there wasn't a presupposition or unjustified assumption to OP's question?

Please know what you're talking about before trying to correct someone.

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[–] Miknarf 1 point 5 hours ago

No the question was what trump has done good. That question contains no assumption. A loaded question is like. When did you stop beating your wife? Can you see the assumption snuck into that question.

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[–] Larry2Thumbs 1 point 5 hours ago

Of course, i'm surprised you can't see the assumption in OP's question...Has trump done anything good? The assumption is that he has.

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[–] Miknarf 1 point 5 hours ago

The assumption that he has not ever done anything good is not an 'unjustified' assumption. Everyone does some good some bad.

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[–] Larry2Thumbs 1 point 5 hours ago

Thanks for proving my point by admitting there is an assumption.

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[–] Miknarf 1 point 4 hours ago

Look back at the definition you provided. It's not just an assumption. It's specifically an unjustified assumption. Which is what I addressed in my last comment. I'm going by your definition here.

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[–] CaptCojones -11 points 14 hours ago

shaving vince mcmahons head?

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[–] camradio -11 points 12 hours ago

George W. Bush will no longer be the most made fun of President, which is pretty impressive

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[–] InsomniaticWanderer -11 points 11 hours ago

He has put the corruption of the republican party on full display and moved a TON of voters out of apathy.

So there's that...

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[–] stripmallbars -11 points 10 hours ago

Was anyone able to actually answer this?

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[–] DavidStHubbins11 5 points 9 hours ago

Have you looked through the read at all?

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[–] Prcrstntr 3 points 4 hours ago

Only the parts I agree with.

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[–] Have_A_Cunning_Plan -11 points 7 hours ago

Most of these are just Trump talking points with no basis in fact.

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[–] Regl_b 7 points 6 hours ago

Kinda like what you just said?

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[–] ex-libtard 4 points 7 hours ago

Indeed we didnt just beat January job expectations by over 100k and we didn't just have the best January market in 30 years. /s

Libtards going to 'tard I guess.

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[–] Eternal_Ward 0 points 5 hours ago

Libtard owned epic style. XD XD

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[–] travelthief 3 points 5 hours ago

Are these facts?

https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/washington-secrets/trumps-list-289-accomplishments-in-just-20-months-relentless-promise-keeping

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[–] Boomscake -11 points 8 hours ago

Every Donald Butt lover is coming out of the woodwork to post a ton of misleading and outright lies.

Of course he has done some good things, but they do no outweigh the negatives and the lies he pushes.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

Like..?

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

Just look around. It's a push rightwing propaganda buffet in here.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

That's not telling me his wrongdoings?

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

Well. Plenty of things have been blocked by the federal government, and state governments.

Not to mention the Mueller investigations. So plenty of things.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

That's not saying anything he has done wrong. When you say stuff he has done wrong I want certain stuff, I also don't want minor stuff like him drinking Diet Coke in a wine glass or him misspelling stuff.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

Considering so many of the lawsuits are still ongoing.

I'll just start with Trump University, Then Follow it up with his recently closed Trump Charity.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Legal_affairs_of_Donald_Trump

This has plenty of the things he has done wrong. With many more to come as they work their way to the legal system.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

The charity thing is pretty shitty now that I just found it out but does a money scandal outweigh all the good things he has done as President like bring the troops home, make the NAFTA deal better for the Country he was served with a task to run etc?

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

Troops haven't been brought home, The New Nafta deal isn't really better than the old one..

https://newrepublic.com/minutes/151468/meet-new-nafta-almost-old-nafta-different-name

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

I mean it's a better deal as in there are new trades e.g dairy. The troops haven't all come home yet but he is still pulling out which is a pretty good thing, don't you agree?

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

No I don't agree. We made a mess of the world, and pulling out before we set things right will haunt us.

I'm against deploying, but since we are there, we owe it to the people there to finish things.

No, It isn't really a better deal. Tariffs are still in place, and it's hard to see the damage that Trump's moves make. Like Soybeans, he has destroyed that market. Other countries immediately stepped in to take over for the the US. Farmers lost billions.

The soft power the United States had, is being lost every time our President opens his mouth.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

The war saw no end. We were only costing lives and before he pulled out everyone was anti us putting their military there but as soon as Trump listens to them they flip flop.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

And then he pulls out and more lives are lost because the country destabilizes. All because of the actions of the US.

But we haven't pulled out yet either. So that is premature.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

How so?

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

How so? Without a standing army, the dissidents can push and destabilize the government. Not counting the insane destruction that we left behind. Nearly 500,000 civilians are dead from US actions and their ramifications.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 2 hours ago

And only more are going to die if we continue to fight there. With all the bombings Obama did what we can do may seem like a splash in the water but it is innocent lives we are killing, military lives we are losing and costs of this war are stupid.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 2 hours ago

And more will die if we pull out. Isis is far from dead, and it can come back stronger if we allow it. It started because of us sadly.

I am anti war, but we made a horrible decision and we have to clean it up.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 2 hours ago

Didn't we create Taliban, not Isis? Also, during Trumps presidency it has shrunken so much it is nearly non-existent.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 2 hours ago

It isn't nearly nonexistent. It's not on the verge of defeat, Pence said it was on the exact same day hours that Isis killed several American soldiers.

The Taliban has existed in Afghanistan for a very long time. They beat Russia back in the 80s. Which we helped train and Fund them, once Russia left, we ditched them and their country. We fucked them.

Isis came about because we destabilized the Middle East by invading Iraq.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 2 hours ago

So do you think if we pulled out of Iraq then a lot of Isis would be less angry?

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 2 hours ago

No. They would still be murdering anyone they didn't agree with.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 2 hours ago

So how many soldiers do you want to die for this war? When is it too many? I never agreed with this war when I knew what was going on. Even one innocent civilian is too many.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 2 hours ago

As many soldiers as it takes to stop Isis and then rebuild. Isis is killing and will continue to kill civilians even after we pull out.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 2 hours ago

Do you really think we can fully destroy Isis? There will always be Isis. We can only go so far until it is a waste of recourses to stop something that is barely a threat. We can only do our best to protect ourselves

against terrorists here.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 2 hours ago

They aren't barely a threat yet.

Isis didn't exist prior to us Invaded, and it can be destroyed.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 3 hours ago

And the man lies all day long, about stupid shit that no one should lie about.

He just does it and does it and does it. I can't trust someone that lies about petty stupid shit constantly, and you shouldn't either.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 3 hours ago

Anything that matters he has lied about?

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 2 hours ago

Probably.

Because if he is gonna lie about how big his crowd was, whether he had contact with the Russians, whether he had an Affair, or multiple affairs. Lies about other countries raking their forest leaves so they don't get forest fires. All he does is Lie.

How on earth can I trust anything he says. That's why it matters.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2018/09/13/president-trump-has-made-more-than-false-or-misleading-claims/?utm_term=.edd8c980fc59

Every single one of those matters. Because it creates a narrative, a narrative that Trump will lie about anything and everything because he can and no one holds him accountable.

I wouldn't tolerate it out of my family, I won't tolerate it in a President.

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[–] GamingRebel29 1 point 2 hours ago

I mean countless Presidents have lied about big things to respond to your last point. Your first point is that these are rumours that you don't even know if he has lied about yet (except the affairs because I haven't researched that). There was no Russian collusion.

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[–] Boomscake 1 point 2 hours ago

Whoa.

First, no president has lied to the extent Trump has.

Second. You can't say there was no Russian collusion. The investigation is not even over, and so far there have been 37 indictments related to it, and tons of guilty pleas. Maybe there was, maybe not, but to declare something before it is completed is just pointing out your bias.

And those rumours, they are facts. The man doesn't believe in climate change. The man tried to get 5 young men killed, and never apologized after it came out they were innocent. The list goes on about how shitty this man is.

It saddens me that you are this negligent to Trump our President. You should hold him to a higher standard.

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[–] **GamingRebel29** 1 point 2 hours ago

He's not my President. Also, get off your high horse. You just said without a doubt that he has lied about major things like Russian collusion and when I say the opposite you say "we aren't sure". Just because you don't believe in climate change doesn't mean you are lying. I believe it exists but isn't as bad as it is exaggerated (case and point Al Gore fear mongering Miami would sink by 2012). Who are these kids anyways?

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[–] **Boomscake** 1 point 2 hours ago

We know that Trump lied when he said that no one in his campaign had any contact with Russia. Flynn, Manafort, Trump JR, Stone, and many more all had contact. He lied when he said he never had plans to build a tower there. He asked Russia on live television to get Hillary's emails.

He fired Comey to end the Russian investigation. Those are just the tips of the iceberg.

Maybe he colluded, maybe he didn't. but he has obstructed justice by interfering in the investigation, lying about it, and telling others to lie about it as well.

Lying has consequences.

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[–] **GamingRebel29** 1 point 2 hours ago

So when did he say he wasn't building a tower? I only remember him hiding it even though it was legal.

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[–] **Boomscake** 1 point 2 hours ago

I'm done doing your homework for you.

I'll leave you with this guy though. He has taken tons of time to put everything together and show what is known, and it doesn't look good.

https://np.reddit.com/user/Puffin_Fitness

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[–] **GamingRebel29** 1 point 2 hours ago

It's not my homework. You don't go into a discussion and call stuff out without backing it up. You were doing so good on backing yourself up. Since you stopped here then I guess you don't have a source of him denying building in Russia and only hiding it.

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[–] **Have_A_Cunning_Plan** -12 points 7 hours ago

Brigaded by Trumptards

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[–] **hap_hap_happy_feelz** 9 points 7 hours ago

A thread asking about the good Trump has done is being 'brigaded' by people listing the good they perceive he's done.

How odd.

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[–] Sehtriom -4 points 6 hours ago

I think it's more the 30+ downvotes on anyone who is critical of him in any way shape or form.

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[–] yeahokqwerty 3 points 4 hours ago

The downvote button is for comments that don't contribute to the discussion which in this thread is "What good has Donald Trump done?" so pointing out the bad he's done should be downvoted.

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[–] travelthief 5 points 5 hours ago

Don't worry the mods will ban any American dissenting opinion and this will be a carbon copy of r/politics in no time.

reality has a liberal bias right?

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[–] polancomodanco -13 points 11 hours ago

He has exposed many flaws in our democracy that we had never really considered:

- Can a president pardon himself?

- Can a president declare national emergency to win an argument against congress?

These are the two biggest ones I can think of off the top of my head, but I'm sure there are plenty more.

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[–] caustiq 1 point 6 hours ago

> - Can a president declare national emergency to ~~win an argument against congress~~ defend the nation as he swore to do. >

FTFY

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[–] polancomodanco -1 points 6 hours ago

However you like to phrase it, but yeah. This situation is something we never considered, so it's good that he's shedding some light on it, then we can work on patching it up in the future.

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[–] caustiq 0 points 6 hours ago

They aren't the same ideas phrased differently. He is not proposing to declare a national emergency to "win an argument," it's to deal with (shocker) a national emergency. Nothing to patch up, it has always been allowed.

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[–] polancomodanco 3 points 6 hours ago

Typically emergencies are defined as an unusual, sudden and unanticipated event. The immigration problem is more of a steady, consistent, and predictable event. If he declares a national emergency to get the outcome he desires on an issue congress is specifically against, it sets a dangerous precedent for future presidents. Had we not shut down the government for this and had this debated within congress, and he just instead declared a national emergency right away without all of these channels, then it wouldn't be such a big deal.

So in theory, whenever a president proposes something and the checks and balances don't allow him/her to proceed, we now know they can just declare whatever the problem is as a national emergency and tell the checks and balances to fuck off. Now THAT sounds like a problem that needs to be patched up.

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[–] Regl_b 1 point 5 hours ago

That's what makes the immigration problem so concerning. It's steadily, consistently, and predictably terrible. And it's still not fixed. Furthermore, if it's always been a national emergency, it doesn't make Trump the bad guy for finally acting on it.

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[–] polancomodanco 2 points 5 hours ago

Oh, I'm not saying that he's a bad guy for acting on it or that we shouldn't be concerned about immigration. I'm just saying that we should be concerned about the fact that a president is capable of overturning a decision congress makes by calling it a national emergency (whether it is or isn't one). We should be concerned by the amount of unchecked power it ends up giving our leader.

And happy cake day~

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[–] Regl_b 1 point 5 hours ago

I see your point. And thank you.

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[–] caustiq -1 points 6 hours ago

You don't think the crisis at the southern border is considered a national security emergency, with incoming caravans of thousands-strong invaders. I won't change your mind and I don't care to.

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[–] **Arcteryx81** **-13 points** 10 hours ago

Helped definite the US as a not so great country after all. It showed the world that the american patriotism is flawed by a too high esteem to admin it's own problems.

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[–] **GamingRebel29** **1 point** 3 hours ago

What's not so great about American Patriotism?

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[–] **photoactivated** **-14 points** 12 hours ago

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **18 points** 11 hours ago

And yet here you are, making zero actual points.

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[–] **photoactivated** **-14 points** 11 hours ago

And here you are, spewing all the propaganda you've been fed from your dear leader.

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[–] **animefreakemo** **-14 points** 12 hours ago

Brought World war 3 closer to everyones doorstep thats what i wished for to watch My friends family and everyone around Me dying bigs up for this Guy ruin everyones life's

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[–] **WafflingToast** **-15 points** 10 hours ago

Re-energized the Democratic Party.

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[–] **jumpifnotzero** **11 points** 7 hours ago

If you really think that, you have no idea how much Clinton was bank rolling the DNC, how broke they are, and how they are screwed with the actual primary process this time where they will need people like Warren to run in order to cancel Bernie's vote, that 1/2 the candidates will be actually trying to win unlike Chafey and Web who were there for jokes, and the other half trying to make the field clear for Biden but won't be able to. Not to mention the infighting with Feinstein and separately Pelosi.

Seriously, you could DESPISE Trump or ADORE him. But if you can't see how rough of shape the Democratic party is in right now - you need to take a step back.

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[–] **WafflingToast** **-1 points** 7 hours ago

Not denying the Party was in bad shape in 2016. But you can't look at the mid-term vote and say that dem-leaning voters are apathetic anymore. They're demanding change and while the outcome of the infighting is uncertain, the Dem leaders seem to have woken up that *they* will be in trouble if they don't change. They're probably stabbing each other in the back, but at least they found a sliver of a spine to present a unified front in public.

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[–] **jumpifnotzero** **5 points** 7 hours ago

The mid term.... Where the dems lost senate seats, lost governors, and gained house which basically 'always' happens at midterms two years into any president's 2 year mark?

Seriously man, you need to take a step back. The media is 100% in the tank for the DNC - and you're eating it up without question.

They were bad in 2016 right - how about the fact they are still pulling in less money today than the GOP? They're effecively still broke. The deal to let Clinton run the DNC before she was even "selected" (and I use that term loosely) is proof how bad it was, but not much has improved. They're still underfunded compared to GOP.

The mistake here is to automatically think the GOP and Trump are the same, they aren't. GOP hates Trump but is stuck with him. They didn't have the same idea to rig their primary system and now have to put up with him. If you think the GOP won't take a dive here and there to get rid of Trump, well, like I said, take a step back.

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[–] Regl_b 4 points 6 hours ago

You forgot to mention the ridiculous amounts of voter fraud in the mid-term. And the only person I see giving Trump a challenge in 2020 is Oprah. And I doubt she would want to demote herself to being President.

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[–] MikkoJai -15 points 6 hours ago

Nothing, fuck Trump. I don't know how so many people voted for him even though he had no experience in politics. Oh nvm, racism.

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[–] pbarnett865 6 points 5 hours ago

You must be thinking of the last guy. The current president has a ton of business experience and that has translated well into the job he is doing.

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[–] BearC4t12 5 points 5 hours ago

Funny how the guy with no experience is setting economic records, eh? ;)

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[–] photoactivated -17 points 11 hours ago

Wow..T_D is really seeping out of their safe space today!

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[–] Sehtriom -5 points 6 hours ago

Yeah it's always easy to see when those cultists start to spread somewhere.

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[–] The_Dog_Of_Wisdom -17 points 13 hours ago

He breathes out carbon dioxide, which is good for plants.

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[–] Dpnnvojtu -20 points 13 hours ago

He helped Kevin from home alone that's all I can think of.

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[–] Aconserva3 2 points 11 hours ago

He gave us Hamberder and covfefe.

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[–] Edge_Bound -21 points 12 hours ago

If you even have to ask then you already have your answer.

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[–] Eternal_Ward 4 points 5 hours ago

You're just a snobbish cunt ngl

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[–] Aomory -21 points 13 hours ago

Sparked a few good dystopia story ideas that now have the right to end with "Based on true events."

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[–] asianeyes19 -21 points 18 hours ago

the only good he has done is "no good"

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[–] TysonButterbean 10 points 15 hours ago

Baby genius over here

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[–] RedRabbit18 1 point 35 minutes ago

That's the stupidest thing I've heard

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[–] CervezaMotaYtacos -24 points 15 hours ago

He brought Russia back from the brink of collapse and made it major player on the world stage.

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[–] TysonButterbean 15 points 11 hours ago

Yeah, they are stoked that the US is killing their troops in Syria, opposing their candidate in Venezuela, obstructing their oil sales, etc. Yep, Putin's really got him in his pocket.

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[–] CervezaMotaYtacos -2 points 7 hours ago

We handed Russia Syria. That is what the sudden pull out announcement that caused Mathis to resign was about. Here Russia a gift of Syria for you from Donald Trump. Also, Russia has paid no political price what so ever for annexing Crimea and for their cyber warfare against the US in the election that elected Trump. The lifting of sanctions Russians oligarch's at a time when the government was shutdown and Trump's refusal to institute sanctions passed by Congress against Russia should be enough to clue you in on whose bidding Trump is performing.

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[–] Regl_b 3 points 5 hours ago

This Russia boogeyman crap is really getting old. Reminds me of the "dihydrogen monoxide needs to be banned" story.

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[–] CervezaMotaYtacos 0 points 5 hours ago

Boogeyman? This isn't a children's story. This is America's future. Americans are going to die because of Trump's treasonous actions.

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[–] Regl_b 1 point 5 hours ago

The Trump/Russia conspiracy was founded on a document that claimed Russia had video evidence of Trump paying hookers to pee on a bed Obama slept in. I don't think someone needs more information than that to detect a load of shit. Russia conspiracy nuts are starting to sound a lot like flat earthers.

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[–] philly2shoes 12 points 10 hours ago

you can't possibly be this stupid

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[–] Animblenavigator 8 points 9 hours ago

oh, you underestimate how stupid these people really are. They have zero knowledge of world events. They probably don't even know where Russia is on the map.

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[–] CervezaMotaYtacos 1 point 7 hours ago

I was tempted to trade insults with you after having read your post history but it's that type of knee jerk "I'm right and you are an idiot for disagreeing" that has divided the middle class in America against itself. The damage to our European alliances that Trump has caused, an alliance that was built on the toil and blood of 10's of thousands of Americans, is by its self putting the future of America in harms way. Couple that with the respect that has been lost on the worlds stage and America is being diminished by Trump in a way that no outside country could ever do.

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[–] philly2shoes 3 points 7 hours ago

blah blah anti-trump zombie bullshit blah blah

seek help

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[–] Animblenavigator 10 points 9 hours ago

HAHAHAHAHHAAHAHAHAHAHAAHA

Dude Russia has been reduced to a oil exporter, who buys their oil? THE EU!

Russia is basically Mexico with a nuke.

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[–] Thinksforfun 2 points 4 hours ago

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[–] [deleted] 1 point 9 hours ago

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[–] Troubador222 -7 points 9 hours ago

This is the correct answer

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[–] nukethewhales760 -26 points 19 hours ago

Make me laugh daily because all the stupid shit he says.

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[–] **ResettisReplicas -29 points** 13 hours ago

Made Nazis expose themselves. Shortsighted dumbasses think they'll be acceptable forever.

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[–] **Hannibus42 8 points** 9 hours ago

Yep, he has made the Nazis of the Left expose themselves! Especially Antifa's Brown-shirts.

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[–] **ILoveJewsNoReally 7 points** 12 hours ago

Lol

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[–] **Glockgnam_Style 1 point** 9 hours ago

REEEEEE!! Anyone that disagrees with me is a Nazi.

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[–] **ImbedVirus -1 points** 9 hours ago

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[–] **ILoveJewsNoReally 3 points** 9 hours ago

You're not wrong, my man

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[–] **Animblenavigator 7 points** 9 hours ago

Nazis are Socialists. Hear me out.

Democrat party is now the Socialist party.

1. Advocates for killing of babies post-birth
2. Anti-Israel
3. Anti-Jew
4. Tax the rich (n-never mind that this trickles down to taxing everyone, d-don't pay attention)
5. Open borders, expand throughout the world (globalism)
6. Scapegoat people (MAGA Hat wearers)

Well, there you go, prove me wrong.

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[–] **Anandamidee 1 point** 7 hours ago

I wouldn't associate being Anti-Israel with being Anti-Jew, it's the most childish way of deflecting legitimate criticism of a state's actions.

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[–] **Glockgnam_Style 1 point** 9 hours ago

REEEEEE!! Anyone that disagrees with me is a Nazi.

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[–] **GrandeJeune (deleted by user) -30 points** 17 hours ago

Lowered our standards for the next guy.

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[–] **lesser_panjandrum 10 points** 13 hours ago

Machiavelli wrote that a reliable way to be a popular and secure ruler was to arrange for a tyrant or an incompetent ruler to take power first, and then replace that guy yourself.

Even if you don't run everything perfectly, you can always compare yourself favourably to the arseholes who came before you.

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[–] **politicusmaximus 3 points** 10 hours ago

Which is funny because arguably Trumps executive power has been curtailed in a way no other presidents has... and critics have convinced themselves he's a tyrant.

He's done less with executive power than just about any other president I can think of. What's hilarious to me is watching all these executive power hawks come out of the wood work. Where were you when Obama was using executive orders to change laws passed by congress related to Obamacare? Or the entire DACA debacle, which was a blatant misuse of power? What about the staggering growth of executive agencies which were usurping mass power from congress and answer solely to the president?

My problem with a huge portion of the left and a growing group on the right is the very loud opinions with virtually no contextual knowledge of what the other side did when they were in power. It's like a huge contingency of people who never paid attention to any of the shit Obama did, but a super fucking mad that Trump does similar things... to an even lesser extent in a lot of ways.

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[–] minepose98 2 points 13 hours ago

Nowadays nobody bothers to arrange a tyrant to take power first, they just compare themselves favorably to the last guy anyway

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[–] Regl_b 2 points 7 hours ago

How would you feel if the next guy was another 4 years of Trump?

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[–] Hannibus42 0 points 9 hours ago

Raised*

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[–] jayemay 0 points 7 hours ago

Not sure that's a *good* thing.

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[–] Manic_Depressing -34 points 15 hours ago

Excellent question! So I wanted to answer this question in-depth, and that's why I did my research, my legwork. I consulted with some friends of mine, experts, these friends are experts in economy, government, business, great minds, the best minds of our time. And what they told me is, well it's interest- it's very amazing. They ALL say that, when you ask them what good Trump has done, they all say that, well, A LOT. "He's done a lot of good, President Trump! He's so good, in fact, he's the BEST!"

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[–] nuclearfarts99 1 point 2 hours ago

this IS satire, right?

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[–] Manic_Depressing 1 point an hour ago

Many experts tell me I'm the BEST, the greatest at satire!

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[–] Gorgundy -39 points 19 hours ago

Made you realise not all successful business men are suitable for president.

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[–] Glockgnam_Style 16 points 9 hours ago

Orange man bad!!!

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[–] Sehtriom -6 points 6 hours ago

Orange fan sad!!!

permalink reddit ceddit

[–] Glockgnam_Style 6 points 6 hours ago

Oh you got me there. I have been owned.

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[–] Sehtriom 2 points 6 hours ago

Would you like directions to the nearest burn center?

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[–] Glockgnam_Style 0 points 6 hours ago

Yes

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[–] Sehtriom 1 point 6 hours ago

Bamboozled again! You went right into my planted hive of illegal immigrants!

permalink reddit ceddit

[–] Glockgnam_Style -1 points 4 hours ago

Just when you thought you had me. I am ICE ICE baby!!!

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[–] Antishill_canon -44 points 13 hours ago

Exposing republicans for the racist core values they have

No more plausible deniability

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[–] Glockgnam_Style 32 points 9 hours ago

Everyone is racist if they don't agree with me!! Orange man bad!!

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[–] Antishill_canon -17 points 9 hours ago

Oramge fan mad

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[–] Glockgnam_Style 13 points 9 hours ago

You got me this time. I have nothing else to say. I have been owned.

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[–] Hannibus42 12 points 9 hours ago

You misspelled *Democrats*.

You're welcome, fam.

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[–] Antishill_canon -7 points 9 hours ago

Lol that doesnt even make sense

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[–] Hannibus42 8 points 9 hours ago

Your original comment makes less than 0 sense, so mine would still be an improvement.

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[–] Antishill_canon -6 points 9 hours ago

Fact republicans openly endorse racism begs to differ

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[–] DavidStHubbins11 7 points 9 hours ago

How so?

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[–] Antishill_canon 0 points 9 hours ago

By doing the above openly

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[–] DavidStHubbins11 6 points 9 hours ago

That's what I'm asking, when did the Republicans openly endorse racism?

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[–] Antishill_canon 2 points 9 hours ago

Gas lighting isnt really a good strategy as anything other to clog rational debate

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[–] DavidStHubbins11 9 points 8 hours ago

Not having any evidence or rational support to back a blanket statement isn't a sign there is going to be a rational debate.

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[–] Antishill_canon -5 points 8 hours ago

No lol

Its the equivalent of not bothering to link evidence to a holocaust denier

You have exactly zero chance of gaslighting anybody so youre not worth it

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[–] DavidStHubbins11 4 points 8 hours ago

No it's not? The holocaust has plenty of evidence and factual proof to back it up. There is nothing the backs up the statement that Republicans are openly racist.

And just because someone questions you doesn't mean they are gaslighting.

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[–] Antishill_canon -3 points 8 hours ago

>The holocaust has plenty of evidence and factual proof to back it up.

Yup

hence not worth debunking frauds spreading it

>There is nothing that backs up the statement that Republicans are openly racist.

Nice bait bro

Hilarious

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[–] DavidStHubbins11 8 points 8 hours ago

You really won this debate. Your avoidance of providing proof and attempts to dismiss someone questioning you as 'gaslighting' will definitely help in the real world.

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[–] Hannibus42 6 points 8 hours ago

It's not gas lighting, it's a very reasonable question; what that you seem to be unable to answer.

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[–] Sehtriom -2 points 6 hours ago

Man so many T_D cultists out here today...

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[–] RSwordsman -69 points 19 hours ago

He's helping to drain the swamp. Little did he know his own body is plugging the drain.

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[–] Animblenavigator 41 points 9 hours ago

Orange Man Bad! This'll be the end of him!

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[–] Sehtriom -8 points 6 hours ago

Orange Fan Sad!

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[–] Animblenavigator 6 points 6 hours ago

I'm actually pretty fucking happy

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[–] Sehtriom -3 points 6 hours ago

pats your arm And we're very happy that you're very happy.

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[–] Animblenavigator 8 points 6 hours ago

no you're not, that's the problem. you're miserable that I'm happy.

2 weeks ago there was a high school kid wearing a MAGA cap, smiling. You were miserable about it.

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[–] Sehtriom 2 points 6 hours ago

Who said I was miserable? I didn't know about it, nor did I give a shit.

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[–] Animblenavigator 1 point 6 hours ago

COOL!

MAGA!

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[–] Sehtriom 7 points 6 hours ago

Look at him go…

permalink reddit ceddit

[–] RickyMissile 5 points 6 hours ago

This will lead to impeachment for sure. Total burn!

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[–] Glockgnam_Style 3 points 9 hours ago

This is good. You got them this time.

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[–] sigma61974 -126 points 13 hours ago

He's brought out all the racists, knuckle draggers and fuckwits and made them visible instead of hiding in the shadows. This could be seen as good or bad but at least now sane Americans can see who is a cunt and treat them appropriately.

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[–] **Mrgonefor20years** **31 points** 10 hours ago

Show us a racist knuckle dragger who states "i'm proud of my racism because of trump"

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[–] **tricks_23** **9 points** 10 hours ago

Spoiler: they wont

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[–] **UniversalFist** **9 points** 9 hours ago

Jussie Smollett

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[–] **Animblenavigator** **1 point** 9 hours ago

The Chicago police department say there's no video of such event happening. Jussie doesn't even want to turn in his phone for evidence because apparently this "event" happened while he was on the phone with his agent.

Who the fuck goes outside in -40 degrees in Chicago to get a Subway sandwich? on top of that who does that with a rope and bleach? Why would a racist watch "Empire" and recognize this twit? When was Chicago described as "MAGA Country" ever?

The rumor is he had a bad Grindr incident, and until there's evidence of otherwise that's what I think that happened.

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[–] **UniversalFist** **1 point** 9 hours ago

You misunderstood my comment. I was calling Jussie Smollett a racist knuckle dragger.

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[–] **Animblenavigator** **1 point** 8 hours ago

ok, my bad :)

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[–] **GuerrillerodeFark** **-10 points** 8 hours ago

Any proud boy

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[–] **TysonButterbean** **30 points** 10 hours ago

He's brought out the fuckwits, alright. Maybe not in the way you're thinking.

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[–] **GuerrillerodeFark** **-8 points** 8 hours ago

You NPCs crack me up

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[–] **RockmanNeo** **8 points** 6 hours ago

>He's brought out all the racists, knuckle draggers and fuckwits and made them visible instead of hiding in the shadows.

On both sides.

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[–] **retisense** **6 points** 6 hours ago

Who's the most likely to be racist against minorities?

People who are racist against white people.

That's you, dipshit.

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[–] **hamhamsg** **6 points** 6 hours ago

I think we found the cunt! Any comment on being exposed as a TDS riddled cunt, sigma?

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[–] **FBI-Shill** **4 points** 8 hours ago

So what *is* the appropriate way to treat you then?

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[–] **posticon** **2 points** 6 hours ago

> treat them appropriately

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[–] **[deleted]** **1 point** 9 hours ago

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[–] jcks2236 1 point 32 minutes ago

Yeah it's about time the left got called out for being racist

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[–] Indy_Anna -27 points 11 hours ago

I'd like to think it's a positive thing. Now that we've shed light on these issues we can hopefully take steps to eradicate some of them.

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[–] OnlineGodGaming 4 points 7 hours ago

Sane response to an insane comment

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[–] posticon 4 points 6 hours ago

We should concentrate people with the wrong opinions.

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[–] Indy_Anna (deleted by user) 1 point 5 hours ago

Sorry, can't agree with that one. That won't solve any issues.

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[–] Indy_Anna -1 points 6 hours ago

Not sure what you mean here. Do you mean put people in concentration camps ? No one is advocating for that.

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[–] posticon 5 points 6 hours ago

> eradicate

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[–] Indy_Anna 1 point 5 hours ago

Right. Notice I said eradicate the issues, not the people themselves. For instance, I think the idea of racism can be eradicated through education.

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[–] posticon 5 points 5 hours ago

I parsed your sentence incorrectly. I applogize.

The desire to remove thoughts from other people's heads is fairly intense.

It's an uncompromising position. They must be reprogrammed to match your thinking, and they can communicate to you nothing of value on this topic. You are infallible.

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[–] Appropriateboy -160 points 19 hours ago

Given self-esteem to millions of fat and stupid adolescent trolls.

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[–] ASAProxys 25 points 10 hours ago

Happy for you. Did you always suffer with self esteem issues?

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[–] Appropriateboy -14 points 10 hours ago

Can't tell you. You should ask your mom, I'm sure you've done a number on her.

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[–] ImbedVirus 6 points 9 hours ago

You know, I thought most sensible people would have realised by now that your mom jokes are old nor insulting....who knew

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[–] Appropriateboy -5 points 9 hours ago

Says who? Your mom?

Hah! Got eeeem.

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[–] ImbedVirus 1 point 9 hours ago

damn you..

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[–] Alaishana -79 points 18 hours ago

A fair whack of which are on reddit and are downvoting your comment.

Go, go, brother!

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[–] **ZB43** 46 points 16 hours ago

I dislike Orange man but I also dislike calling millions of people fat stupid trolls.

It takes skill to make me dislike both sides

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[–] **RyusDirtyGi** -39 points 13 hours ago

Well not all Trump supporters are fat. They are all stupid though.

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[–] **ZB43** 18 points 13 hours ago

that still makes them twice as smart as you though right?

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[–] **RyusDirtyGi** -21 points 13 hours ago

I mean most of them are bad people. So no.

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[–] **lesser_panjandrum** -17 points 13 hours ago

If you're a billionaire with business interests in Russia, then it's not at all stupid to support Trump because he's serving your interests.

Everyone else has been taken for a ride by the con man.

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[–] **Regl_b** 15 points 7 hours ago

You actually believe in the Russia thing? It's a modern day dunce cap practically equivalent to the flat earth theory. Some conspiracy theories shouldn't be taken seriously...

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[–] **Appropriateboy** -14 points 12 hours ago

Can y'all not take a joke?

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[–] **AlexanderComet** 18 points 11 hours ago

I mean, jokes should be funny...

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[–] **Appropriateboy** -15 points 11 hours ago

I mean, people shouldn't hate Mexicans...

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[–] **AlexanderComet** 20 points 11 hours ago

No one hates Mexicans. The people big on border security want to keep out people coming to our country illegally and taking jobs that should be going to Americans. It has nothing to do with race.

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[–] **Appropriateboy** -1 points 11 hours ago

But almost all illegal immigrants come in legally and then overstay their visas! If it wasn't a racial thing you would be dealing with the actual problem instead of building a monument to the orange man.

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[–] **AlexanderComet** 8 points 11 hours ago

The wall isn't the only thing that Trump's been working on. He's also been a strong supporter of ICE, which is deporting any immigrant here illegally, whether they overstayer on a visa or not. And do you truely believe that half the country is racist against Mexicans? You have no evidence, yet you're calling all these people racist. It's people like you who turned so many people to Trump because he was actually standing up to the constant bombardment of racism, sexism, bigotry, and misogyny that the left loves to throw at anyone to the right of them.

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[–] **Appropriateboy** 1 point 5 hours ago

Someone just commented this, I forget the name but I want them to see my response anyway.

Here it is:

Jesus Christ you have to be trolling right? Your "all experts" spew is just straight false, and walls have been implemented in the past - Isreal put up a wall and illegal immigration stopped by 90+%. Now that's not saying a wall is going to stop all illegal immigration, however if you actually did research instead of being a virtue signaling NPC, you'd know that yes over stayed visa's are a problem but that accounts for 40-45% of illegal immigration. Which means 55-60 comes from crossing the unprotected boarders into the states or sanctuary cities. Now nothing I've said here is racist even tho I'm assuming you're just dying to call me one, however saying - "it's because they hate Mexicans and they want a border separating themselves from a race they think is inferior" is beyond the most retarded thing I've read all day; And I've been browsing Reddit for quite a bit today.

Trump has no problem with Mexicans aslong as they are legal - same goes to any other race; you can believe that via his Hispanic coworkers, staff, employees, and supporters. Is that too hard to understand

And here is my response:

Why do you go out of your way to discredit yourself? You take an unnecessarily adversarial tone throughout this comment, and even go so far as to insult me proudly and openly. You try to paint yourself as tolerant, all the while refusing to so much as entertain my criticisms. You refute my statement by shouting "fake news," or in this case

"straight false." It's because you don't have a real argument, and when I bring up facts the only way you can hold on to your world view is to dismiss them offhandedly as though you're an authority on the matter.

Israel is not America, and the two countries face incredibly different issues to do with border security. Even if your claim is true it's apples to oranges, and has no bearing on the efficacy of Trump's proposed border wall.

I am not dying to call anybody racist. Whether or not you are racist is not important to this discussion. You bring it up, once again, because you lack true substantive arguments, and instead resort to simple name calling. This seems to be standard practice for you.

I didn't say Trump hated Mexicans, once again you are strawmaning me. I said building the wall was an inherently racist policy. Notice the difference.

That 40-50% is highly disputed, at least one study says it's over 60%, and it's the number of total illegals in the US, not the inflow. Since 2007 people entering the country illegally more often overstay visas than cross the border. This means even if the wall was able to stop every single person that would have crossed the border illegally, it still wouldn't catch HALF the illegal immigrants that try to get in every year. Not to mention the fact that the wall could not possibly be 100% effective. Is that really worth billions of dollars? Billions that could go to helping the homeless, insuring the uninsured, or giving clean water to Flint, Michigan? I say no.

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **-1 points** 11 hours ago

I guess I was right about the trolls though. I seem to have angered one.

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **-3 points** 11 hours ago

The policy position that is the wall is inherently racist. Supporting it is a racist action. Besides, it's not like he's done any good besides the wall either. Even his tax break was a joke; almost all the benefits went to people that were already millionaires!

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[–] **AlexanderComet** **13 points** 10 hours ago

Look, if you're just going to call me racist for something I've repeatedly explained to you is not racist then this conversation isn't going to go anywhere.

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **0 points** 10 hours ago

I am not saying you necessarily personally hate Mexicans. I'm saying the policy position you claim to support was conceived on the basis of racism and is only pushed for because of true racists, and people that fall for the rhetoric. The wall is ineffective at its supposed job and stupidly costly. If the real reason it was popular wasn't racism why wouldn't people support a more reasonable position?

P.S. This conversation isn't, wasn't, and won't be going anywhere.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **4 points** 9 hours ago

How many Mexicans did Obama deport?

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **0 points** 9 hours ago

That's irrelevant. How many Mexicans Trump deported is also irrelevant. The point isn't how we deal with them once they're in the country, it's how we try to prevent illegal immigrants from getting here. We were not talking about deportation before. Anyway, I have no problem with deporting violent offenders, and if Obama deported a load of Mexicans that's beside the point.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **3 points** 9 hours ago

So then how is the wall based upon racism if it accomplishes the same thing, to illegal immigrants out. Im all for ways to prevent people overstaying visas as well. And the wall might not be efficient but how is it racist?

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **0 points** 9 hours ago

It is racist because that is the only motive left. It does not accomplish the same thing; it accomplishes nothing! The consensus among all experts is that physical barriers are not the way to go. Given that it won't actually keep anyone out, why would people want it? Because they're ignorant, and because they hate Mexicans, and they want a great big wall separating them from the race they think is inferior. It's disgusting and pathetic.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **4 points** 8 hours ago

If it accomplished Nothing we and practically every other country wouldn't have a border. And i doubt you can prove that people supporting the wall are racists. Tell how you are going to prove that.

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **1 point** 8 hours ago

A wall accomplishes nothing, not a border. I have not argued against a border. You are strawmaning me because you don't

have a real argument.

I just said that supporting the wall is an inherently racist action. That's how I already proved it. While yes, a lot of people genuinely think it will be effective, they are wrong, and no less guilty. It's no different than the Muslim travel ban. They are both blatant appeals to the racists in Trump's base, and do nothing to help the American people.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **3 points** 5 hours ago

How is it racist tho? You never answered that. Because Whether or not it will work is debatable and the intentions are still the same as deporting people. Its okay to admit youre wrong

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **1 point** 4 hours ago

It's efficacy has been proven to be a sham. That much is not debatable. The intentions are to separate Americans from Mexicans physically, regardless of efficacy. It's okay to admit you're wrong.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **1 point** 3 hours ago

The intentions are to separate illegals from legal citizens, not Mexicans. Trump said it himself and his supporters say that as well. You still can't tell me how that's racist. If I don't want coyotes and other criminals in my country, that's not racist. You can't even find an example where he says he doesn't want Mexicans in our country. Seems like you have no argument since you can't even back up your claims.

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **1 point** 3 hours ago

I already have, guy. Read the rest of the comment.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **0 points** 2 hours ago

I did. No back up /evidence. You lose. Later nerd

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **1 point** 2 hours ago

You obviously haven't. You're arrogant and ignorant. You can think what you want, because you're beyond help.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **0 points** 2 hours ago

Hold the L

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[–] **Appropriateboy** **1 point** 2 hours ago

Whatever you say, genius. Ignorance is bliss.

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[–] **aminoacid4** **0 points** 2 hours ago

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[–] **ImpressivePlayer** **1 point** 5 hours ago

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